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Bridgeton mine explosion blows a gaping hole in American Gulf strategy

US Navy's catalogue of incompetence



Safely astern: Sailors with rifles on the USS Fox keep watch for mines behind the "shield" of the tanker Bridgeton.

From Robert Fisk
Kuwait

Despite months of preparation for its convoy escort duties in the Gulf, the US Navy has no minesweepers in the area, had not even bothered to sweep for mines in the channel where the US-flagged supertanker Bridgeton was struck on Friday, and now fears that its warships are more at risk from mines than the vessels they are supposed to protect.

The catalogue of what appears to be little short of blatant incompetence by the US Navy began to unravel here yesterday as Kuwaiti and American officials sought to load the crippled Bridgeton with crude oil in what shipping agents contemptuously described as a political rather than a commercial act. "Who in their right minds would load his cargo onto a dam-

aged ship?" one of them asked rhetorically.

The damage to the Bridgeton — 200 yards from the bows on the port side of the vessel — is going to make any loading a hazardous operation. If a tanker's compartments are loaded with crude oil only fore and aft, then the buoyancy at the centre of the ship can break her back; since the seawater in the damaged tanks is entering, and escaping from the vessel, it cannot be used as ballast.

Even if the Bridgeton does load she is unlikely to take more than 65 per cent of her capacity because four of her 31 tanks — three more than officially announced — are awash with seawater.

The sorry tale of military unpreparedness and lack of forethought was damagingly summed up in a quite remarkable statement by

Captain David Yonkers, the commander of the three US frigates escorting the Bridgeton, who blandly admitted that he did not wish to sail back through the same sea lane in which the supertanker was hit because "one of the things I do not now have is the capability to defend my ships against mines".

In the aftermath of the Bridgeton mining the following facts emerged about the US naval operation which had been so long trumpeted by the White House:

- The Americans had made no attempt to sweep for mines in the narrow channel 18 miles from Iran's Farsi Island where the Bridgeton was hit. Although the Soviet Navy maintains three minesweepers in the Gulf for just such emergencies, the nearest US minesweepers yesterday were in South Carolina.

- A sonar cable trailed from one of the frigates, which was supposed to detect mines within half a mile of the vessel, proved so ineffective that it did not even detect the presence of empty oil drums.

- So vulnerable were the "thin-skinned" US warships that, after the Bridgeton was hit, they abandoned their protective V-formation around the supertanker and slunk along in line astern, using the Bridgeton as a shield against further mines. The naval crew were reduced to standing on the bows of their ships with snipers' rifles in the hope of shooting any mines they saw.

- After escorting the tankers to Kuwait the US warships had to sail back through the same mined waters to Bahrain. Rear Admiral Harold Bensen, the US naval commander in the Gulf, said yesterday that a way

had to be found of clearing the mines before operations could be resumed. The navy's humiliation was made more bitter yesterday by critical newspaper editorials in several Arab capitals.

It is difficult to underestimate the scorn now being privately expressed by shipping agents and salvage men in the Gulf about the convoy operations, which are estimated to cost \$1.7 million a day.

● WASHINGTON: Mr Caspar Weinberger, the US Defence Secretary, yesterday said the US had plenty of minesweeping capability in the Gulf and would be able to deal with any mines that were found (Michael Binyon writes). But he suggested the hole in the Bridgeton may have been caused by a gas build up rather than a mine.

British concern, page 6

Jail problems with drugs and discipline

Hurd faces disturbing prison survey

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The depth of the prison crisis facing Mr Douglas Hurd, the Home Secretary, is revealed today in a unique survey carried out by *The Times* among Boards of Visitors across the country.

The boards are the official watchdogs of the prison system but many are shunning publicity and reporting directly and confidentially to the Home Office.

Others, acting in the public interest, have agreed to provide *The Times* with their latest reports that show concern over:

- Major policy decisions contributing to a deterioration in conditions.
- Drugs assuming an importance traditionally associated with tobacco as an illicit currency, undermining discipline and control.
- One prison which has "watched with alarm" a growing tendency to be used as a dustbin for inmates unwanted elsewhere.

- A low security category prison that suffered a riot and complained: "There are now many prisoners who, a few years ago, would never have been sent to this type of prison. The riot last year was a warning that trouble may be ahead unless action is taken. There is no doubt that staff faced a potentially dangerous and disastrous situation."
- A failure by the Home Office to respond to complaints with one board object-

ing to not being treated properly after expressing "strong feelings... we would like some positive reassurance that the views of boards do receive more consideration than they appear to."

The chairmen of boards from several prison establishments met in May and threatened to do so again if the Government did not take action over their concern about overcrowding and dilapidated buildings.

The reason for the meeting was to discuss the inadequate response, as they saw it, of the Government's Minister of State at the Home Office.

Boards of Visitors were first appointed under the 1898 Prison Act.

The boards are appointed by the Home Secretary to provide oversight from outside the prison on the welfare of inmates and staff.

They also have the responsibility of sitting on adjudication panels to award punishments for offences against the prison rules.

responsible for prisons, and involved the chairmen of the most hard pressed establishments in the system: Ashford Remand Centre; Middlesex; Brixton; Holloway; and the Pentonville and Wormwood Scrubs prisons.

Since then Mr Hurd has announced measures intended to ease the crisis. But Mr Ronald Walby, chairman of the Ashford board, said that it had exerted pressure as part of

the overall attempt to make the Government realize the extent of the problem.

The Government's measures were very welcome, but probably did not go far enough. "Within a month the situation will start deteriorating again and we will have more people flooding back into the system," Mr Walby said.

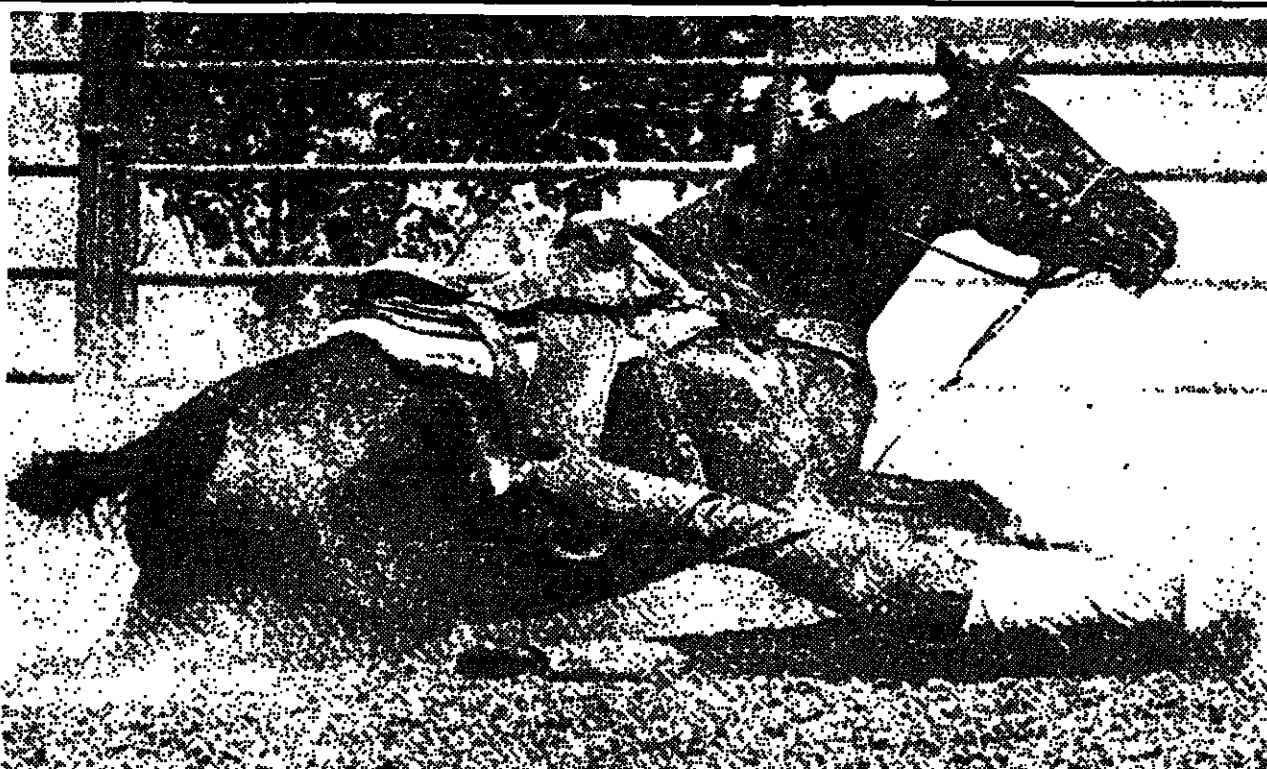
The Ashford board's annual report says: "Our main concerns remain with, and are concentrated on, the following: 'Staff shortages, remand time, overcrowding and the premises — all these subjects have been highlighted in previous reports and are reiterated in this report'."

The question is whether the 800 extra prison officers the prison service is now to recruit in London and the South-east will be enough.

The staffing level at Pentonville at one point during the past year was 12 per cent below establishment; understaffing in the south-east region generally was 18.5 per cent.

At Winson Green Prison, Birmingham, cannabis remained the main form of drug abuse but the discovery of syringes indicated that hard drugs were also in use. Staff shortages precluded systematic cell searching so the problem remained and could worsen.

The board at Preston, the prison that reported the "potentially dangerous situation", wants Mr Hurd to



Mr Baldridge, a lifelong rodeo rider, whose horse fell on him while practising for an event in Antioch, California

Gromyko to meet Tartars

From Mary Dejevsky
Moscow

The group of more than 100 Crimean Tartars who spent Saturday night in a silent vigil on the edge of Red Square dispersed yesterday afternoon after being promised that they could today meet President Gromyko, who was named last week as chairman of a commission to investigate their case and decide if they can return to the Crimea.

The demonstrators, who had spent the night surrounded by police, waved posters and portraits of Lenin and Mr Mikhail Gorbachev as they left the square. They had originally demanded to see Mr Gorbachev himself. After they left, the column of buses and military vehicles which had largely shielded them from public view was driven away. As on Saturday, a large crowd of Russians and foreigners watched the demonstration and the policing was generally courteous and good humoured.

Yesterday was the third successive day of the Crimean Tartars' demonstration in support of their demand to be allowed to return to their homeland in the south of the Soviet Union. The Tartars were deported en masse to parts of Soviet Central Asia in 1944 after their autonomous republic in the Crimea was accused of collaborating with the Germans. The sweeping decree by which all Tartars were branded traitors and deprived of their political rights was rescinded in 1967, but only a few have been allowed to return to the Crimea.

The peaceful demonstration behind St Basil's Cathedral on the edge of Red Square — where Matthias Rust landed his light plane several weeks ago — began on Thursday evening after it was announced by the official news agency, Tass, that the authorities were setting up a special commission.

Glasnost and Tartars, page 10

Patten points way to new campaign against City fraud

By Martin Fletcher, Political Reporter

Government determination to stamp out City fraud by exposing financial crooks to penalties as tough as those for drugs barons will be signalled this week in a key speech by Mr John Patten, Home Office Minister responsible for law and order.

He will draw public attention to a package of draconian but almost unnoticed measures contained in the new Criminal Justice Bill, which is designed to ram home to potential City fraudsters the message that they risk not just imprisonment and disgrace but also financial ruin.

The Bill will increase the maximum prison sentence for

- Seizure of assets as a last resort by police or Customs officers.

Mr Patten will argue that there is no difference in essence between the City fraudster and the conventional criminal. "We want people to realize we are in deadly earnest about stamping out City fraud. The City fraudster is just as much a professional criminal as the large-scale bank robber, and motivated just as much by greed."

The speech will reflect growing ministerial concern that a small number of crooked dealers are doing a disproportionate amount of damage to the public standing of financial institutions which bring in billions of pounds in foreign investments.

It also reflects growing sensitivity to repeated opposition claims that the Government has one law for the rich and one for the poor, claims that were redoubled in the wake of the £25,000 fine imposed on Geoffrey Collier last month for insider dealing.

Plans to extend powers of confiscation to insider dealing and other serious criminal activities stem from the success of the 1986 Drugs Trafficking Offences Act which allows confiscation of the profits of convicted drugs dealers.

The new Serious Fraud Office will be empowered to seek a High Court order freezing the assets of suspected City fraudsters as soon as there is even prima facie evidence of an offence.

The new receivers' panel, comprising experts in banking and accountancy, will then trace all the suspect's assets, prevent their being switched abroad or into someone else's name, and manage them on behalf of the suspect until he is convicted or acquitted.



Mr Patten: 'In earnest about stamping out fraud'

insider dealing from two years to seven, but Mr Patten will also highlight government plans to permit:

- Confiscation of all proceeds of City fraud or of assets of a value equivalent to those proceeds;
- Freezing of a suspect's assets from a very early stage of investigation to prevent their being moved beyond the jurisdiction of a court;
- Appointment of a panel of expert receivers to trace all the assets of a suspect and to manage them until the case is concluded;

Burglars stab City financier to death

By Stewart Tendler

A wealthy Egyptian financier was stabbed to death yesterday by burglars at his £1.5 million home in the heart of Belgravia, central London.

Mr Ahmed Khalifa, aged 47, died in what a senior detective called a "robbery which went wrong." Det Supt Stuart Bailey said the death was the result of "a vindictive attack."

The thieves, a gang of at least three, stole jewellery worth about £100,000 and used nicknames which they may have taken from a film.

Police said they could not say whether the dead man had been injured in a struggle, tortured to provide the keys to his safe or attacked gratuitously.

Mr Khalifa, who had links with the City and a Middle East finance house, was attacked as he and his wife, Al-Sharifa, returned early yesterday to their home in Wilton Crescent, close to Hyde Park, after dining with friends.

The burglars had broken in earlier and beaten up their maid, Miss Lina Taligada, aged 25. They then lay in wait for the Khalifas.

Mr Khalifa's son Hussein, who is in his early 20s, arrived home with a friend, Mr Radd Saboudi. The two were bound, hooded and threatened.

When Mr Khalifa and his wife arrived the burglars attacked them, possibly using knives taken from the kitchen of the terraced house. Mrs Khalifa received a broken arm, a possible fracture to the jaw and bruising. Her husband was stabbed, then

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Roche wins

Stephen Roche became the first Irishman to win the Tour de France... Page 32

Exam results

Degrees awarded by the universities of Sussex and York, and Oxford class lists are published today... Page 27

Portfolio

- £8,000 can be won in today's *Times* Portfolio Gold competition, double the usual amount as there was no daily prizewinner on Saturday. Portfolio list, page 22.
- Three winners shared Saturday's £8,000 weekly prize. Details, page 3.

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Reshuffled ministers may get severance pay

By Philip Webster, Chief Political Correspondent

Ministers dismissed from office in reshuffles would receive golden handshakes under a plan to be considered by the top salaries review body.

Mr John Wakeham, the Leader of the Commons, has asked the body to carry out a review of the pension scheme for MPs, after complaints about unfair treatment of MPs, and particularly their widows, by decisions of the Commons not to implement in full independent recommendations for pay rises.

But he has also asked the body "to look at the possibility of introducing severance payments for ministers and officeholders".

The plan, certain to be

opposed by some backbench MPs, is designed to ease the financial shock for ministers when they are removed from office, either because the Prime Minister decides to dispense with their services, or because they lose their seat.

From January, Secretaries of State will receive salaries of £48,000 and MPs £22,500. In the past sacked ministers and their families have complained about the hardship involved in the sudden reversion to a backbencher's salary after years in which they have been precluded from earning extra money from outside interests.

The loss of the chauffeur-driven car has been equally felt.

From Alan Hamilton
Yellowknife, Canada

Had a bunch of the boys been whooping it up in the Malamute Saloon, the kid that handles the music box would have stopped dead in the tracks of his ragtime tune, and Dangerous Dan might even have looked up from his solo game, if the Duchess of York had walked in.

In the short, fierce heat of an Arctic summer, the Canadian under bursts alive in a carpet of colour. But all along the Klondike Trail from Edmonton to Dawson City, there is neither shrub nor beast quite as exotic as a Sloane English redhead in a canary yellow dress with big white spots. One wondered if, come autumn, the white spots joined up to

provide winter camouflage. The Yorks' royal tour, designed expressly to expose the Duchess to the maximum possible number of Canadians, reached the end of its own winding trail at the weekend in Yellowknife, capital of Canada's North-West Territories, an area bigger than Europe, but with a smaller population than Nunavut.

Gold was discovered here in 1896, and two mines still operate. It is a town where the culture of the native Inuit meets that of the Big Mac, to the edification of neither.

Under cloudless skies, at a latitude halfway between Shetland and the Arctic Circle, the Duke and Duchess performed their highly popular ritual walkabout among a crowd that was

almost entirely Indo-European, except for a token group of local Dogrib Indians beating a tattoo of respect to their ancestors on drums of birch and caribou hide, and led by Mr Angus Charlo, a Yellowknife truck driver. On the shores of the Great Slave Lake, where the mighty Mackenzie River flows, even the Indians have Scottish names.

The meeting of cultures has always been largely a one-way traffic;

The rest of the native population, as they tend to do in the far north when swamped by the white man's culture, were sitting on street corners spending their welfare cheques on beer. "If that couple are here on tax money," said one soury, "they can go right on home again."

It was, however, a minority view. Throughout the 12-day public tour the Duchess has been a roaring success wherever she has gone, and has never put a foot wrong. Canadians have loved her informality, sense of fun and disregard for the finer points of protocol, without any loss of dignity. They also like the fact that she is a commoner. "Sarah is a real down-home kind of girl," is a frequent observation.

They like her enthusiasm, and the fact that she seems to enjoy everything she does. "That girl loves her man and her job," she's bought the whole package, a Canadian women's magazine writer observed in some awe.

The Duke has fared less well.

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Police discover IRA bomb cache

Police in the Irish Republic yesterday discovered an explosive and ammunition haul hidden in an underground bunker a few miles from the border.

A squad of Garda, acting on a tip-off, found the cache during a search early yesterday of a copse at Proleek near the border between Co Louth and Co Armagh.

Almost one tonne of home-made explosives, of the type used by the Provisional IRA in terrorist attacks in Northern Ireland, had been packed into plastic bags. Two land mines planted by the Provisional IRA at the side of the road in Co Tyrone were defused by British Army bomb disposal experts on Saturday. They each contained 300lbs of made explosives packed into beer kegs.

Research grants Archer's party

Three medical projects involved in research of child illnesses are to receive a total grant worth more than £100,000 from the Duke and Duchess of York's Wedding Fund.

The fund was set up with money raised from the sale of official Royal Wedding souvenir programmes, and donations.

The grants, the largest of which is £39,762, will fund studies into haemophilia, inherited short stature and hydrocephalus — water on the brain — at research centres in London, Edinburgh and Cardiff.

Flexible pension call

A plea for the elderly to have the choice of taking a pension at the age of retirement, or continuing to work, has been made.

The call for a more flexible approach to pensions comes in a pamphlet by Mr Hugh Mellor, former director of the Centre for Policy on Ageing, published today.

In it, he says the Government should abolish the fixed system of paying pensions at a specific retirement age.

He says that individuals aged between 60 and 70 should be able to continue working if they wish.

Boost for Minster Piggott inquiry

The most modern fire defence system in Europe is nearing completion at York Minster.

The detection and alarm system, costing £500,000, is designed to prevent a repeat of the 1984 blaze. Hundreds of computerized sensors will scan the environment every few seconds for smoke, heat or flames.

A gas extinguisher and lightning detector system have also been fitted.

An allegation that Lester Piggott placed bets during his 37 years as a jockey will be investigated by the security department of the Jockey Club.

The claim was made in a national Sunday newspaper. Yesterday, the Jockey Club chief administrator, Mr Peter Twite, said: "If there is any evidence of a possible breach of the rules of racing, then we will order an inquiry."

Shake-up planned for party after disastrous election result

Tories try to convince Scotland they care

By Kerry Gill

Senior members of the Conservative Party, led by Mr Norman Tebbit, its chairman, will this week launch a campaign to regain popular support in Scotland.

The action comes after the Tories' disastrous general election results when they lost 11 seats leaving them with just 10 out of 72 north of the border — and cries from the Opposition that the Tories no longer had a mandate to govern in Scotland.

This week's initiative, the culmination of at least two meetings a week since June 11, will attempt to re-educate the

Mr Norman Tebbit yesterday hinted he may become a "super salesman" for the Conservatives' radical policies when he steps down as party chairman.

He confirmed he would never be a Cabinet minister again but added: "There's a lot to be done outside government, you know."

Mr Tebbit, speaking on BBC Radio's *The World This Weekend*, said he would quit as chairman before the next election, but refused to give a date.

He has said he wants to spend more time

with his wife, who was badly injured in the Brighton bombing.

The Tory chairman added that he would have some regrets after six years in the Cabinet "during what some people have called a social revolution".

Mr Tebbit predicted that the controversy over plans to replace the rates with a community charge would soon die down.

"There will be a lot of controversy, but people will look back in five or 10 years' time and wonder how on earth they managed to put up with the rates system for so long."

Scottish public about Tory policies.

Lord Gould, chairman of the Scottish Conservatives, said it was essential to achieve

a vast improvement both in the party organization and the selling of Tory policies to the public.

Scotland has tumbled from over 50 per cent in 1955, to just 24 per cent at the last general election. Almost universally, Tories admit that the

public perception is that Mrs Thatcher did not care about Scotland.

"The Government does care about Scotland", Lord Gould said. "The trouble is that we have not been getting the message across to our potential supporters. A lot of people who should have voted for us didn't. Even people buying their council houses still voted Labour."

"We are faced by a hostile media in Scotland. I am certain of this, so we have got to look at things like direct mailing everyone from British Telecom shareholders and council house buyers, to law-

yers and teachers", he said.

More home and share ownership in Scotland is only 42 per cent compared with 66 per cent in the UK as a whole.

But many other Scottish Tories, such as Mr Struan Stevenson, who unsuccessfully fought the seat of Carrick, Cumnock and Doon Valley, and is chairman of the Conservative group on the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities, said it was "facile" to blame the party's present predicament on a hostile Press or a failure to rigidly apply Thatcherite policies.

Police in new plea for more officers

By Stewart Tendler
Crime Reporter

A West Country chief constable yesterday joined the pleas from senior officers up and down the country for more manpower.

Mr Ronald Broome, chief constable of Avon and Somerset, has asked for a further 500 men for his 3,020-strong force.

Last year Avon and Somerset asked for 20 extra men and were allowed only 10.

Last week Mr Roger Birch, chief constable of Sussex, complained that the Home Office was leaving provincial policing to deteriorate.

Yesterday Mr Broome, whose force covers the St Paul's area of Bristol which has been the scene of several riots, said: "My men are beginning to groan under the stress of policing a very hostile society where they are the chief targets."

● Britain must not drop its guard against the IRA, the new Metropolitan Police Commissioner said yesterday.

Mr Peter Imbert, noted for his anti-terrorist expertise, was asked in a BBC Radio interview how serious the present threat was.

"There is no doubt that the IRA believes that a terrorist incident in London will have much more political impact than a terrorist incident perhaps in a more remote area."

Wheelpast on road to gold



Athletes parading during the opening ceremony of the World Wheelchair Games yesterday at the Ludwig Guttman Sports Centre, Stoke Mandeville, Buckinghamshire. Thirty-nine countries have entered athletes for the games, which end on Sunday.

Spy book appeal in Lords

The *Sunday Times* will ask the House of Lords today to overturn a Court of Appeal ruling that it cannot continue publishing extracts from *Spycatcher*, the memoirs of the former MI5 officer Mr Peter Wright (Our Legal Affairs Correspondent writes).

The appeal coincides with

the start of the Government's final attempt to stop publication in Australia.

The Government is asking the Court of Appeal of New South Wales to overturn an order that the Australian branch of Heinemann is free to publish the book as its contents are no longer secret

or able to cause harm.

So far in Britain the Government has been successful in stopping publication of the book by newspapers. But many copies have now been imported since its publication earlier this month in the United States.

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Thatcher confesses to Commons 'butterflies'

By Michael Dynes

The Prime Minister gave a rare insight last night into both her private and public life in a televised interview in which she spoke of her unique approach to politics, the joys of being a mother and the things she treasures most.

In the half-hour interview conducted by Russell Harty at Number 10 and broadcast on BBC 2, Mrs Thatcher put her ability to cope with the pressures of office down to "a lot of training, and a good deal of experience", and suggested that "women are better at it than men".

The Prime Minister nonetheless confessed to getting butterflies before Question Time in the Commons each

week, which she claimed to overcome through diet.

"I have little to eat that day because you want the blood to go to the brain, not to digest what you've got in the tummy", she said.

Mrs Thatcher said she can go for days and often weeks with little sleep, has never taken any drugs to keep her going, and relies on a dose of vitamin C each morning to help her to get through her gruelling work schedule.

Bacon and eggs were described as one of the most popular meals in the Thatcher household, and the Prime Minister also expressed her particular weakness for poached egg on Brompton toast.

Architects' institute comes under attack

By Charles Knevit, Architecture Correspondent

The Royal Institute of British Architects is expected to undergo a big shake-up after management consultants put their findings to the institute's ruling council on Wednesday.

The report, by Hay Management, is a damning indictment of bad management and inefficiency of the 153-year-old institute, which has 27,000 UK members and a turnover of about £4 million a year.

It calls for the role of Secretary, with its accompanying salary of £50,000, to be eliminated and the appointment of a Director General.

The consultants say that the RIBA is "much worse run than other organizations we've come across".

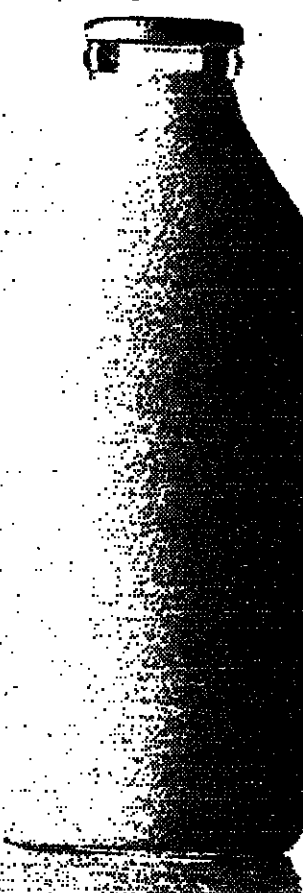
● The Guild of Centurions, a group of professionals from Peterborough who help to look after church buildings, have published a file of non-technical fact sheets called *Churchcare*.

It contains advice on external walls, roof coverings, drainage, floors, redecoration, bells, clocks, heating, fire precautions, lightning conductors and archaeology.

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Support for levying 'instant charges' on those using NHS

By Jill Sherman, Social Services Correspondent

Widespread public support exists for introducing instant charges for use of the National Health Service but less support for higher taxes, according to a survey published today.

The survey, carried out by Gallup and commissioned by the Public Expenditure Policy Unit, an independent research body, shows that more than half the people polled thought that those who could afford to should contribute more to the cost of the NHS at the time they used its services.

A majority supported the idea of charging for specialist consultations, hospital admissions and for visits to general practitioners. Such charges had previously been

ruled out as politically unacceptable but only 36 per cent thought this unreasonable.

The survey involved interviews with nearly 1,000 adults earlier this month and showed that 70 per cent of people were prepared to give up any further tax reductions to pay for higher spending on the NHS. Only 17 per cent thought this unreasonable although less than half, 38 per cent, thought it reasonable to increase national insurance contributions or taxes.

Most people supported the idea of higher spending on the NHS, today £6.50, funded through taxes, national insurance contributions and prescription and dental charges.

is spent by the NHS a week on every person in the country.

The policy unit, which is headed by Geoffrey Hulme, former principal finance officer at the Department of Health and Social Security, said yesterday that it planned to establish what support existed for a wider range of charges at points of use to find out at what level people could afford to contribute.

It said that the survey showed little support for the introduction of a social insurance but rather for maintaining NHS spending as a proportion of national income.

Mr John Moore, the Secretary of State for Social Services, has denied reports that a review is being carried out into the funding of the NHS, with tax concessions planned for those people who opt for private health care.

A report in a Sunday newspaper suggested that a health tax, which would register as an item on people's pay slips showing how much the NHS cost, would be introduced and that people choosing to go private could pay a lower rate of health tax and also be eligible for tax relief for health insurance premiums.

"There is no review going on and there are no plans to introduce any health tax", Mr Moore said.

"All the ideas suggested in the report have been discussed by other people over the years but I have got quite enough on my plate already. My main priority now is getting across how good the National Health Service is."

Year-long wait for hearing aid fitting

More than 600 partially deaf patients may have to wait for over a year to get a hearing aid fitted on the NHS because of a shortage of audiology staff in Nottingham.

The patients, some almost totally deaf, were recently sent a letter from Nottingham General Hospital saying that they would have to wait 32 weeks to see an audiology technician and a further 43 weeks before the hearing aid could be fitted.

Mr Michael Dismore, acting general manager, said that there had been a mistake in the letter and patients would have to wait 20 weeks for the second appointment.

"It is not a question of money. We just cannot recruit staff with the necessary expertise", Mr Dismore said.

Nottingham General has nearly half its 17 posts for audiology technicians vacant. The technicians are responsible for assessing the type of hearing device necessary, and later fitting it.

Out of a total of 600 posts nationally, 112 are still vacant. The problem mirrors recruitment difficulties for other NHS professional and technical staff who are choosing better paid occupations with greater career prospects.

Firms face criticism over pay

The Government has been accused of turning a blind eye to a "crime" involving several million pounds each year (Our Employment Affairs Correspondent writes).

In its latest quarterly review, the Low Pay Unit claims that Britain's poorest workers are being underpaid by as much as £2.5 million each year — the equivalent of £151 for every worker involved — but nothing is being done.

The review says that one-third of establishments visited by inspectors from the Wages Council last year were found to be illegally underpaying one or more of their staff.

In shops, hotels, restaurants and clothing workshops, up to 40 per cent of firms were caught underpaying.

The Low Pay Unit is calling for automatic prosecutions against what they call "the minority of cowboy firms who seek to gain an unfair competitive advantage by illegally exploiting their staff".

The Low Pay Review (Low Pay Unit, 9 Upper Berkeley Street, London W1H 8BY; £2).

Clerical staff pay gap still widening

By Michael Dynes

Average pay levels for clerical workers are still rising faster in London and the South-east than in the rest of Britain, reflecting an acceleration of the forces polarizing living standards, according to the latest report on clerical pay out today.

Figures show that clerical staff in London are now paid 36 per cent above the national average, up almost 10 per cent over the past five years.

The effect of this trend, which has been evident for the last six years, is beginning to be felt across the London commuter belt, forcing employers to increase clerical remuneration in an effort to keep potential employees from gravitating towards London in search of higher pay.

Since 1982, for example, clerical salaries in Buckinghamshire have increased from 3 per cent to 11 per cent above the national average.

But salaries for clerical staff beyond the commuting belt are experiencing a decline.

Pay for clerical staff in the South-west, Nottinghamshire

and Derbyshire is 10 per cent less than five years ago, creating a 46 per cent difference in pay levels compared to the South-east.

Comparisons between pay levels for unskilled, semi-skilled and skilled production and engineering workers show that employers are also tending to put a far greater premium on productive skills.

Both groups of workers enjoyed an average 7 per cent increase in pay during 1986, and employers are expecting a 5 per cent increase during the current year.

When bonuses and overtime pay are taken into account, the prospect of another 7 per cent increase in earnings, together with falling tax rates and inflation stable at around 4 per cent, both groups of workers appear set to experience a 3 per cent increase in living standards over the next year.

Clerical and Operative Rewards 1987 (Reward Regional Surveys, 1 Mill Street, Stone, Staffordshire; £56).

Reform of national insurance urged

By a Staff Reporter

A leading economist says that market forces must not be treated as a "black box" that will invariably produce the right result, and neither the market nor the state should be credited with such wonder-working power (Our Employment Affairs Correspondent writes).

Professor Tom Wilson says in a paper published today that after six years of rising

gross domestic product, unemployment in Britain is some 30 per cent higher than began.

The key to the creation of more jobs could lie, he suggests, in the national insurance system.

This "strangely devised" system has an exemption limit but no allowances so that anyone liable to pay has the tax levied on income, even

below the exemption level. Take-home pay is therefore cut back and the poverty trap deepened.

Professor Wilson suggests that the implications for the Inland Revenue of making the needed reforms might put in question the "somewhat fictitious" framework of national insurance.

Unemployment and the Labour Market by Professor Tom Wilson (Institute of Economic Affairs, Occasional Paper 75; £3).

Minister retreats to an English country garden



Off duty: Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for the Environment, with his wife, Judy, relaxing in the water gardens, which he designed in the grounds of his home, a sixteenth-century Cotswold rectory. Appropriately Mr Ridley is an accomplished water-colour painter. Returning to Westminster he will also have water on his mind as he attempts to push through a Bill to privatize water authorities (Photograph: Graham Wood).

Shortage of donors will cause 200 deaths

By Thomson Prentice Science Correspondent

Specialists have warned that 200 people will die by the end of this year because of a fall in the number of kidneys available for transplants.

Hospitals also face increasing problems because of a shortage of dialysis equipment and a lengthening queue for transplant operations.

The worrying trend will be discussed, along with the latest advances in the research and treatment of kidney disease, by leading experts at a conference which begins in London today.

The social, ethical and economic issues involved in providing treatment, including transplants, is likely to provoke lively debate among the 2,000 delegates.

One recent advance to be discussed involves the artificial production of a kidney hormone which controls the production of blood and can be used to cure patients with anaemia, a common side-effect of treatment on a kidney machine.

Professor David Kerr, one of the conference organizers, said: "There is much scope for improvement in treatment, despite the success of dialysis and transplantation in prolonging the lives of people with kidney failure".

Special diets which are thought to halt, or retard, the progression of kidney disease will also be on the agenda.

The conference will hear of the effects of AIDS on kidneys. Sufferers of the acquired immune deficiency syndrome develop a specific form of kidney damage. However, drugs used to treat AIDS infections can have toxic effects on the kidney, posing additional problems for the treatment of patients.

The conference, at the Barbican Centre, London, was opened last night by Princess Alexandra, patron of the National Kidney Research Fund.

Drinks spirited past customs

By Tim Jones

Customs and Excise officers will this week begin an investigation into a sophisticated decanting exercise which has enabled thousands of holidaymakers to evade duty on excess spirits.

Customers who enter Mr Arthur Coley's spirits shop in Palma Nova, Mallorca, are delighted to read a notice inviting them to ask how they can take home more than their allowance of spirits.

Mr Coley, originally from Luton, Bedfordshire, who has been offering the "bargain" for more than two years, is happy to explain.

They can buy branded spir-

its such as Bell's whisky at the almost duty free prices which prevail on the island and for a fee of 50p they will be rebottled as wine.

The rebottling is professional and Heathrow customs officers were last week unable to distinguish them from bottles of cheap Spanish wine.

Mr Coley rebottles spirits in white 75cl wine bottles labelled as blanco suave from the house of Conde De Caralt. Whisky is decanted into green bottles to be passed off as blanco seco.

The decanting enables British holidaymakers to bring

home eight litres of spirits against the one and a half litres which the law allows.

Mr Coley claims to have sold 5,000 of the bogus wine bottles last year. As the duty on one bottle of spirits is £4.73, Customs authorities were effectively deprived of more than £23,000.

A spokeswoman for Customs and Excise said yesterday: "This operation is obviously illegal and we shall investigate".

She added that passengers returning from the island could be delayed as their baggage would be thoroughly checked.

Warning over the pitfalls of buying a villa

About 100,000 Britons will consider buying a villa in Spain this year but for many their dream could turn into a nightmare, an overseas property market expert has warned.

In most cases the problems occur because people do not understand the contracts they are signing, while others will be tricked by common or by unscrupulous builders, Mr Per Svensson, president of the Spanish Institute of Foreign Property Owners, says in a new guide, *Your Home in Spain*.

Last winter the institute obtained brochures from most of the British firms which sell properties in Spain. "In 154 cases there were statements we know to be misleading", he said.

Mr Svensson said prospective buyers should deal only with reputable firms.

"The Spanish parliament has appointed an Ombudsman to deal with property purchases which go sour, and the institute is holding talks with the Spanish government about setting up a fund to help the few who are badly caught or have serious difficulties."

He added that more significantly, the cost of each job for 1986/87 was only £4,800.

That particular programme of grant aid for tourism development has run its

Tourist board creates thousands of new jobs

By Tim Jones

The English Tourist Board is one of the most successful job creating industries in Britain, figures published today show.

Last year it generated £108 million of investment and created 2,886 full time jobs, and new schemes have been launched to continue providing money to encourage more investment and create thousands more jobs.

The board said last year's tourism development grants scheme surpassed the performance of previous years, spreading grants worth £14 million among 630 tourism projects.

Mr Duncan Black, the board chairman, said: "These are the highest figures achieved since the scheme started in 1971. The number of jobs created over the past four years, at 8,600, is well above the original target of 6,000."

He added that more significantly, the cost of each job for 1986/87 was only £4,800.

That particular programme of grant aid for tourism development has run its

course, and the board said it far exceeded original targets.

Aid was given to more than 2,100 projects, 44 per cent above the original target of 1,600, and grant aid of £47.9 million was 37 per cent above the original target of £35 million.

Support was also given to investment totalling £360 million, doubling the original target.

Two new development funds have now been launched under the board's new strategy "A Vision for England".

An innovation fund will back key projects such as indoor resorts, leisure shopping, year-round holiday villages, conference and exhibition facilities and marina developments.

A small business fund will help projects costing less than £100,000. Those funds alone are expected to generate £570 million worth of investment and create 33,000 jobs over the next five years.

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Portfolio Gold

Holiday trip for winner

Miss Kathryn Hill, a personal assistant at a firm of chartered accountants in Bournemouth, is one of three winners of the Portfolio Gold weekly £8,000 holiday.

Miss Hill, aged 20, who lives in Christchurch, Dorset, plans to spend some of the £2,666 on a Mediterranean holiday.

The two other prize winners were Mr Hugh Cockerell, who lives in north London, and Mrs Anne Preece, of Bournemouth.

As there were no valid claims for Saturday's Portfolio Gold daily £4,000 dividend, today's prize rises to £8,000.

Friday's Portfolio Gold daily dividend was shared by 56 winners when late changes on the Stock Exchange led to more claims than usual.

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Denning plans to prosecute footpath case

Lord Denning, former Master of the Rolls, returns to court next month to lead a case for the prosecution.

Lord Denning, aged 88, will come out of retirement for a day to lay a complaint with five other people against Hampshire County Council at Andover Magistrates' Court, Hampshire, on August 17.

They claim that the council has failed to upkeep the footpath by their land at Upper Wick near Whitechurch, Hampshire. Lord Denning revealed that he had researched the case and would be addressing the magistrates himself.

Britain's crowded skies

RAF forced to seek overseas bases for fighter training

Fierce public pressure may soon force the RAF to switch part of its low-level flying training from Britain to bases overseas.

Two overseas low-level training areas are being considered by the Ministry of Defence — one in Labrador, Newfoundland, the other in Turkey.

Low-level flying in the UK is already severely restricted. Aircraft are not permitted to fly below 250 ft, nor to exceed 480 knots — about 550mph.

Under combat conditions,

they would fly lower and, at times, considerably faster.

Low flying by military aircraft is confined to a network of clearly-defined routes which are designed to take jets well clear of urban areas, airports, gliding sites and a whole range of noise-sensitive zones.

This is small comfort to people who live in the farms and villages under a low-level route, and who are afraid that their homes might one day be engulfed by a horrifying accident.

In the past five years, 32 military jet aircraft have crashed during practice along Britain's low-level routes, killing 22 aircrew.

No civilians were killed, although in some cases the aircraft came down close to farms or villages.

Not all the aircraft belonged to the RAF. Three were West German Tornados, four United States Air Force F-111s, and one a Dutch Starfighter.

Since 1979, aircraft of Nato

air forces have made increasing use of the UK low-level routes, mainly to take the pressure of the highly congested military air space over Western Germany.

The need for a realistic low-level training area has been recognized for a long time. It needs to be large and sparsely populated, which means that it can not be located in Western Europe.

The area around Goose Bay, Labrador, is ideal from this point of view, and has

been used by the RAF and other Nato air forces since the 1960s.

However, in the winter months temperatures can fall to -15°C combined with icy winds gusting up to 80mph.

Then there is the cost. To reach Goose Bay, aircraft have to cross the Atlantic, which entails a considerable flight-refuelling operation.

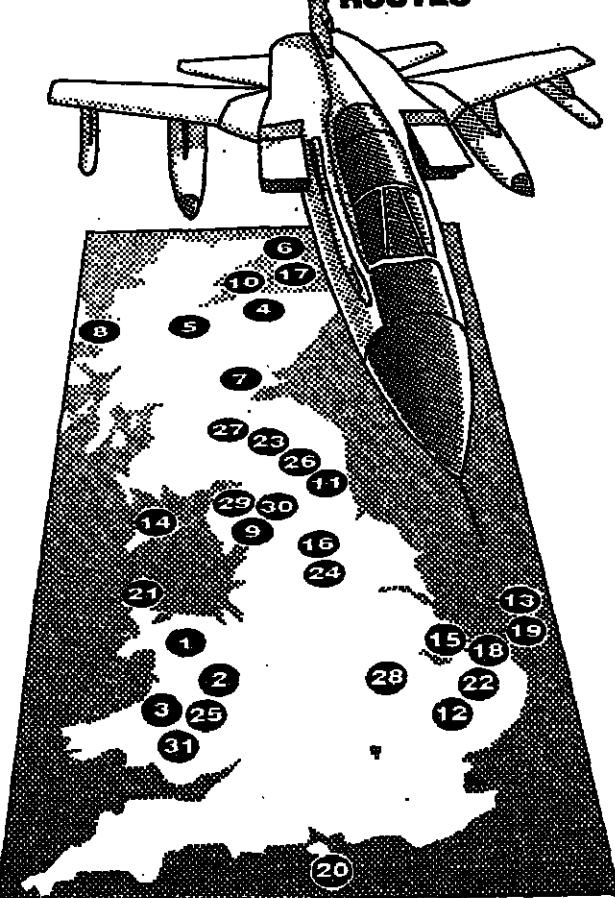
The remote mountain area around Konya, in Turkey, might offer a cheaper and better alternative, with the

added bonus of good weather during most of the year.

In Britain and West Germany, people are reacting with increasing vigour to the nuisance of aircraft noise, but the key issue is one of saving lives — not just those which might be lost on the ground if an aircraft crashes, but the lives of the young men whose task is to defend the rights that most of us take for granted.

That can no longer be assured in the crowded sky over Britain.

ACCIDENTS ON LOW-LEVEL ROUTES



KEY	DATE	AIRCRAFT	LOCATION	CREW	KEY	DATE	AIRCRAFT	LOCATION	CREW
1.	Feb 12, 1982	Harrier	Berwyn Hills, N Wales	Pilot killed	17.	May 20, 1984	Buccaneer	Moray Firth	2 crew killed
2.	Apr 22, 1982	Jet Provost	Nant-y-Moch reservoir, Wales	Crew ejected	18.	Jul 12, 1984	Tornado	Holt, Norfolk (collision)	Crew ejected
3.	May 13, 1982	Harrier	13m S of Aberystwyth	Pilot ejected	19.	Jul 12, 1984	Jaguar	Off Cromer (collision)	Pilot ejected
4.	Jun 17, 1982	Buccaneer	Duffus, nr Lossiemouth	Crew ejected	20.	Oct 31, 1984	Hunter	Off Isle of Wight	Pilot killed
5.	Jun 23, 1982	F-111 (USAF)	Portin, W of Inverness	Crew ejected	21.	Nov 7, 1984	Hawk	Mona, N Wales (struck birds)	Crew ejected
6.	Sep 13, 1982	Jaguar	Sea NE of Broom	Pilot ejected	22.	Oct 7, 1985	2 Jaguars	Aiston, Norfolk (collision)	1 pilot killed
7.	Sep 18, 1982	F-111 (USAF)	Nr RAF Leuchars, Fife	Crew ejected	23.	Oct 24, 1985	Tornado (Luftwaffe)	Kielder, Northumberland	2 crew killed
8.	Dec 7, 1982	F-111 (USAF)	Isle of Skye	2 crew ejected	24.	Jan 7, 1986	Phantom	20m W of Harrogate	Crew ejected
9.	Dec 9, 1982	Jet Provost	Thirlmere reservoir, Cumbria	Pilot killed	25.	Jun 17, 1986	Tornado (Luftwaffe)	Claerwen, Wales	2 crew killed
10.	Mar 7, 1983	Jaguar	Tain, Scotland	Pilot ejected	26.	Oct 21, 1986	Tornado (Luftwaffe)	Otterburn, Northumberland	2 crew killed
11.	Apr 12, 1983	Starfighter (Neth)	Nr Newcastle	Pilot killed	27.	Nov 27, 1986	Jaguar	Hawick, Scotland	Pilot killed
12.	Apr 19, 1983	Jaguar	Off Norfolk	Pilot ejected	28.	Dec 10, 1986	Tornado	Thorney, Cambridge	Crew ejected
13.	Apr 26, 1983	F-111 (USAF)	North Sea	2 crew killed	29.	Jun 17, 1987	Tornado	Nr Keswick (collision with Jaguar)	Crew ejected
14.	Jun 24, 1983	Hawk	Isle of Man	2 crew killed	30.	Jun 17, 1987	Jaguar	Nr Keswick (collision with Tornado)	Pilot killed
15.	Oct 28, 1983	Harrier	The Wash	Pilot killed	31.	Jun 24, 1987	Jaguar	South Wells, mid-Wales	Pilot killed
16.	Nov 21, 1983	Jet Provost	Ington, N Yorks	Crew ejected					

Dispute over forestry threat to wildlife

By a Staff Reporter

Tree planting at one of Britain's prime nature sites is continuing in spite of a call by the Nature Conservancy Council for a two-year moratorium.

The council warned of serious risks to wildlife in the Flow Country - called Dhu Lochan, "black pools" in Gaelic - in the north of Scotland if afforestation continues.

Yesterday the council chairman Mr William Wilkinson said: "We have to stop the planting now so the appropriate authorities can assess the impact of the new trees. The problem is that planting is taking place at such a fast rate, currently some 4,000 hectares a year, that irreversible damage could be done."

"We must have more time. Out of the 41 hydrological systems, which are a series of shallow pools interspersed through the peat bog, only eight have been left entirely unaffected."

The council, which has completed an eight-year study of the area, said the planting of the Flow Country represented the largest single loss of wildlife habitat in Britain since 1945. Covering south and west Caithness and eastern Sutherland, an area similar in size to Kent and Sussex, the Flow Country is the largest unspoiled primeval bog in the UK.

The threat of planting in the last two years has come primarily from companies

which buy land and then offer tax-incentive planting schemes to clients, such as Steve Davis, the snooker player, and Terry Wogan, the television presenter.

They benefit from government subsidies for planting, administered through the Forestry Commission in the Flow Country on behalf of Mr Malcolm Rifkind, the Secretary of State for Scotland.

Mr Wogan declined to comment on reports that he had received grants and subsidies totalling £400,000 on land purchased for nearly £90,000.

Mr James Atterton, the commission's conservator (chief manager) for the north of Scotland, said yesterday that a change in government policy to encourage private-sector planting had led to two companies, Economic Forestry and Fountain Forestry, dominating planting in the Flow Country.

But he said the National Conservancy Council's research was inconclusive. He added: "Almost all planting in the UK, whether private or public, is grant-aided, totalling more than 98 per cent."

Mr Atterton said the range of subsidies varied, depending on the scale of planting and the type of trees, from between £300 to £600 per hectare for conifers, and up to £1,200 per hectare for broadleaf trees.

The SDP-Liberal Alliance spokesman on the environment, Mr Robert MacLennan,



Mr Robb Edwards, an area forester, near Wick, in the Scottish Flow Country, a prime nature site, which the National Conservancy Council says is under threat from tree planting encouraged by tax benefits (Photograph: Tom Kidd).

who is MP for Caithness and Sutherland, yesterday urged Mr Rifkind to reject the council's report. He said a moratorium would threaten 200 private-sector forestry jobs, a similar amount in the Forestry Commission, and

"could damage the prospects" of up to 2,000 jobs.

"There is genuine concern about the level of grants and forestry subsidies. They may be too generous. But that does not alter the fact that forestry is a valid economic activity

and has to be supported."

Mr MacLennan added: "I am not sure whether the grants system is necessary at the current level, and the Commons Public Accounts Committee - of which I am a member - recently expressed

concern over these subsidies. We must find the correct balance to encourage private investment and an economic rate of return, which in the north of Scotland is as good as southern Sweden and better than the rest of Scandinavia."

Shooting gives way to rising Arab fears

By Michael Dynes

An atmosphere of unease and uncertainty, occasionally exploding into recrimination, has begun to descend over London's Arab intelligentsia in the wake of the attempted assassination of Mr Ali Najj al-Adhami.

He is one of the most celebrated and, at the same time, despised political cartoonists ever to come out of the Middle East.

As detectives from the anti-terrorist squad conduct their investigation into the second attack on a Middle Eastern national on the streets of London in five days, the estimated 200,000-strong Arab community, some fearful that a new chapter of political violence is about to be opened on the streets of Western capitals, have no shortage of potential culprits.

"That is just the problem", said one Kuwaiti journalist.

"In his time Najj has antagonized virtually everyone in the Middle East: Arab, Jew, conservative and radical alike. You name it, and he's said it."

"His cartoons are incredibly effective - and often quite offensive."

In the Arab restaurants, shops and newsagents that line the Edgware Road, a favourite night-spot for Middle Eastern nationals in Britain, overheard elliptical conversations give insights to the latest Middle Eastern intrigue on the streets of London. While most of his contemporaries in London feel that it is too premature to point the finger at any one of his enemies with any certainty, nearly everyone has their own particular theory.

They expand in all directions, but whatever hand does lie behind the attempted assassination, it almost impossible to imagine the sense of insecurity that could result in an attempt to kill a humble, if extremely gifted, cartoonist.

Born in a village near Nazareth, Mr al-Adhami and his family were forced to abandon their home for the refugee camp of Ain Hilweh in southern Lebanon in 1948 during the first Arab-Israeli war.

It was here that he began to etch out his cartoons on the shabby buildings of the camp.

Scotland Yard said yesterday that Mr al-Adhami is still on a life-support machine.

Lamplugh case no nearer solution

By Stewart Trender Crime Reporter

Detectives investigating the disappearance a year ago to-morrow of Suzy Lamplugh believe they may already have spoken to her killer.

Miss Lamplugh, a London estate agent, vanished on her way to see a client called "Mr Kipper".

One of the detectives leading the investigation says he does not believe the man ever existed by that name.

Detective Inspector Peter Johnstone said that he would be "personally astonished" if there ever was a Mr Kipper.

He said: "It is more likely that if and when we find the murderer he will prove to be one of the men we have already interviewed. It will be no one's fault. You can't hold a man without evidence."

Miss Lamplugh, aged 25, disappeared after leaving the office of the estate agents where she worked to meet a Mr Kipper at a house up for sale in Shorlands Road, Fulham, south-west London, at 12.45pm on July 28 last year. No one using the name Kipper has come forward nor have police efforts uncovered anyone with the name. Police believe that the name was a cover used by someone the girl knew but they do not know if she was party to the use of the pseudonym or why it should have been employed.

Both police and her family accept that she was murdered, but there are no clues to the suspect or the motive. Tomorrow police will be on duty late into the night at their Hammersmith headquarters in case of new leads from fresh publicity.

Detective Supt Malcolm Hackett, in charge of the investigation, said that there was contradictory evidence about the meeting with Mr Kipper.

A witness said he saw Miss Lamplugh outside the house she was selling with a man at about the time of the appointment. Portraits were constructed from the description and various witnesses at the place where her car was abandoned have said they saw her and the man. But Mr Hackett said, "none" of the sightings can be corroborated in respect of time, movements or by other witnesses.

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Motorway repairs

Tighter control on contracts for roads

The Department of Transport is taking a tighter grip on its motorway and trunk road construction contracts.

Mr Paul Channon, Secretary of State for Transport, has announced that on a trial basis he will reduce the role of consultant engineers on such projects.

In the past consultant engineers have had the power to vary the work and to settle disputes without reference to the department.

Under the new arrangements they will still design and supervise construction, but lose the independent role of engineer and will in effect become adviser and agent to the department.

Motorway roadworks until next Monday.

London and the South-east

M11 London: layout and reconstruction work at Redbridge roundabout.

M11 Essex: southbound lane closures between junctions 7 and 6 (Harlow/M25).

M25 Essex: road widening on the roundabout at junction 31 (Grays).

M25 Surrey: lane closures between junctions 6 and 7 (Godstone/M23).

M23 Surrey: southbound lane closures around junction 8 (M25).

M23 Sussex: lane closures northbound at junction 11 (Pease Pottage).

M27 Hampshire: contraflow between junctions 3 and 4 (M27/A33).

M275 Hampshire: flyover construction between junction with M27 and Rudmore roundabout, Portsmouth.

M4 Berkshire: contraflow near Membury services, between junctions 14 and 15 (Hungerford/Swindon).

M40 Oxfordshire: between junctions 6 and 7 (Watlington/Thame).

M1 Bedfordshire: contraflow at junction 10 (Luton). Only the southbound exit slip at junction 10 is open.

M10 Hertfordshire: northbound carriageway closed and southbound down to one lane only.

Midlands

M1 Leicestershire: preparation work for contraflow between junctions 23 and 24 (Loughborough/Derby).

M5 Hereford/Worcester: between junctions 5 and 6 (Bromsgrove/Worcester north).

M50 Hereford/Worcester: between junctions 2 and 3 (A417 Gloucester/Newent).

M6 West Midlands: between junctions 4 and 4a (National Exhibition Centre/Airport).

Northbound entry slip from A446 at junction 4 closed.

North

M62 Greater Manchester: eastbound between junctions 21 and 22 (Shaw and Saddleworth).

M62 Humberside: between junctions 36 and 37 (Goole/Selby). Westbound exit slip at junction 37 closed.

M63 Greater Manchester: construction of M63 flyover at Portwood roundabout, Stockport.

M63 Barton Bridge: large widening scheme. Long delays at peak times.

M6 Cambria: between junctions 41 and 42 (Wigton/Carlisle).

M18 South Yorkshire: between junction 2, and junction 32 of M1. Occasional slip road closures and diversions.

M602/M62 Greater Manchester: outside lane closures in both directions.

Wales and the West

M5 Gloucestershire: northbound between junctions 12 and 11 (Gloucester/Cheltenham).

Contraflow between junctions 9 and 11 (Tewkesbury/Cheltenham).

M5 Somerset: outside lane closures in both directions between junctions 24 and 25 (Bridgwater/Taunton).

M5 Somerset/Devon: between junctions 25 and 26 (Taunton/Wellington).

Scotland

M74 Strathclyde: junction 12 (A70 Douglas Road). Northbound carriageway closed. Contraflow on the southbound carriageway. Long delays at times.

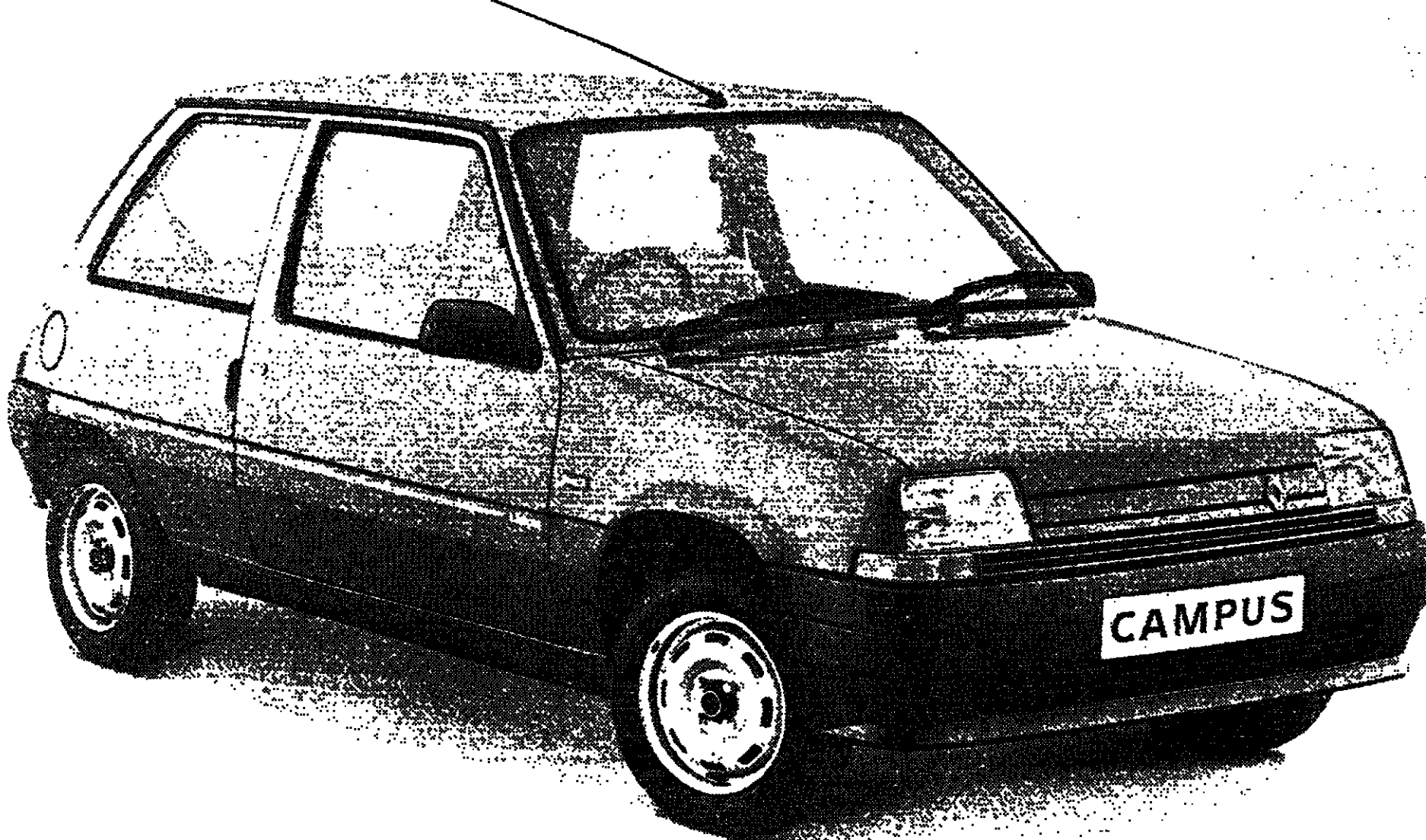
M73/M74 Strathclyde: various lane closures on link roads.

M90 Fife/Tayside: various lane closures northbound between junctions 5 and 3 (Glenrothes/St Andrews). Two way traffic southbound at times.

M8 Strathclyde: between junctions 8 and 11 (Baillieston and Stepps Road interchanges). Westbound carriageway reduced to single lane. Diversions for eastbound traffic on A8 and A89.

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£700m move to harness power source of the stars

By Robert Matthews

The EEC is to provide £700 million for the building of an experimental nuclear fusion reactor, perhaps the most ambitious technological project yet conceived.

The aim of the project is to harness on Earth the power source of the stars.

Success would provide the world with an unlimited supply of virtually pollution-free energy.

However, the scientific and engineering problems are immense. Indeed, it seems likely that many of those working on the project will never live to see a commercial nuclear fusion power station in operation.

The EEC's decision was based on what it described as the "undeniable success" achieved by a European team of fusion scientists working at a site near Culham in Oxfordshire.

For the past four years, they have been carrying out experiments into this ultimate power source on a 12-metre high nuclear fusion machine called the Joint European Torus (JET). It is the largest, most sophisticated, and arguably most successful machine of its type in the world.

The task of the JET team, in common with rivals in the United States, Japan and Russia, is to prove that nuclear fusion can be made to work on Earth.

Unlike the splitting of atomic nuclei used in conventional nuclear fission reactors, nuclear fusion works by forcing together the nuclei of hydrogen-like atoms, liberating enormous quantities of energy.

Scientists are keen to make fusion work because the fuel used in the process is both plentiful and extraordinarily potent. About 1,700 million tonnes of coal would have to be consumed by coal-powered stations to match the world's electricity demands.

Just 135 tonnes of deuterium, one of the hydrogen-like fuels used in fusion, would provide the same amount of energy. Each cubic metre of sea-water contains 35 grams of deuterium, so supplies are essentially limitless.

The key difficulty facing fusion scientists is that the important reactions occur only at the sort of temperatures found in the heart of stars: about 100 million degrees centigrade.

The JET team, over half of which comes from the UK, believes that it has got closer to creating the conditions needed to trigger fusion than anyone else in the world.

The machine used to make the breakthrough is known as a tokamak, a Russian acronym for the doughnut-shaped "magnetic bottle" needed to contain the incredibly hot fusion fuel.

No man-made material

could withstand fusion temperatures, so the nuclei being fused are prevented from touching the walls of the "bottle" by being gripped by an intense magnetic field supplied by electric current-carrying loops surrounding the tokamak.

The JET machine has achieved temperatures of 140 million degrees, considerably in excess of those needed in a fusion reactor, but less than the world record of more than 200 million degrees set last year by the Tokamak Fusion Test Reactor (TFTR) at Princeton University.

However, JET holds the record for the best combination of key parameters, of which temperature is but one, needed to reach fusion.

The European team thinks it may reach the stage of "energy breakeven" by the time the JET project ends in 1992. At present, megawatts of electricity have to be pumped into the tokamak to extract little more than the power output of a few electric kettles.

At "breakeven" the energy produced by the fusion reactions matches that being supplied to produce them, and they become self-sustaining.

But a fusion power station will have to ignite the fusion fuel, so that the reactions, like those in the stars, produce more energy than they absorb.

Last week's EEC decision gives the go-ahead to the construction of the machine capable of achieving ignition: the Next European Torus (NET).

Based on the scientific lessons learned on JET, NET will be much closer to the kind of machine needed to generate electricity.

A lithium "blanket" will be wrapped around the magnetic bottle, capable of absorbing the energy-carrying particles that stream out of the tokamak on ignition.

In a fusion power station, the heat generated by the particles hitting this blanket will be used to raise steam, which when squirted over turbines will produce electricity in the same way as coal-fired stations.

NET is already on the drawing board at the Max Planck Institute for Plasma Physics at Garching, West Germany.

The indications are that the machine will be built on a site nearby, rather than at the existing JET site to underline the pan-European nature of the fusion enterprise.

NET is expected to operate into the next century, leading to the construction of a power-generating nuclear fusion demonstrator, dubbed Demo, around the year 2020.

Commercial fusion power stations could come on line by 2040, the best part of a century after the quest for endless energy from the power source of the stars began.

Fears on new law insurance scheme

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

The Law Society's new insurance scheme for solicitors against negligence will hit small firms, it has been claimed.

In a letter to the *Law Society Gazette*, Mr Stanley Best, a Devon solicitor and former chairman of the British Legal Association (a group of small firms), says that the "vast majority" of the money paid by the profession for the scheme this year - £69.5 million - will come from the "smaller and less wealthy practitioners".

Those firms are "already finding it difficult to keep their heads above water on reducing incomes and higher overheads", he says.

"It is they who, in the main, undertake the legal aid work, of which much is inadequately remunerated, whilst the wealthy firms are content to make small fortunes without any concern for their brethren or for the poorer lay client."

From October, the Law Society is taking over the running of its own professional indemnity insurance scheme in the face of increasing difficulty to obtain cover on the open market because of increasing negligence claims.

Mr Best, who fought hard to "reduce the blatant unfairness" of the original master policy scheme, says that history is repeating itself.

A sole practitioner grossing £42,000 a year will have to pay £364 more for his premium under the new mutual policy scheme. With value added tax the total increase is £569.80, or 56 per cent above the 1986-87 level.

He says that the profession has a duty to see that all clients, not just the wealthy

and companies, are adequately served. But the Law Society was once again "looking to the interests of the wealthy solicitor but doing nothing to help the smaller firms".

Although the Law Society had agreed to allow solicitors to limit their liability for negligence claims above £500,000, this did not help the small practitioner "one iota".

It also virtually ruled out the ordinary or legally aided client who would be unlikely to give his consent to such limitation because he would not understand what was involved.

Mr Best urges the wealthy firms to shoulder a much more substantial share of the total premium to assist their less wealthy colleagues who undertake legal aid work.

In response to Mr Best's letter, Mr John Stoneley, the Law Society official who deals with indemnity insurance, says that the method of calculating contributions by solicitors remains the same under the new scheme.

The only change has been in the percentage rate chargeable against the notional gross fee income per principal in the firm.

He said that sole practitioners as a group still pay less in contributions than they take out in claims payments made on their behalf, while other group firms with more than 20 partners are "net contributors to the fund".

He said that most sole practitioners grossing £42,000 will be registered for value added tax and, if it is excluded from the per cent rise, that is reduced to 36 per cent.



A childhood dream has become reality for Nicholas Jeary, aged 16, who has bought a 55-year-old Barclay saddle tank steam locomotive, and parked it on a short piece of track in his back garden in Blacklands, near Calne, Wiltshire. The 18-ton locomotive was last used at the Yokar power station, Brechin, Scotland. Nicholas was awarded substantial damages after a playschool accident when he was aged two which left him deaf. (Photograph: Alan Weller).

Isle of Wight landslide could kill, expert says

A landslide which has long threatened the town of Ventnor on the Isle of Wight is too big to control and could kill people, according to Dr Edward Bromhead, Reader in Civil Engineering at Kingston Polytechnic in south-west London and an authority on landslips.

From gradual movement

averaging 2in a year over the past 10 years, cracks across the length of a local playing field deepened by four inches in one day.

"It is too big to control. When it goes it could kill people", Dr Bromhead said.

Attempts to control the slide have already cost the

Isle of Wight County Council about £100,000 for a bridge-like raised surface to a road that was too dangerous to travel on.

Dr Bromhead, who has been studying the coastal landslides of the Isle of Wight for many years, voiced his fears to the local Emergency Planning Officer, Mr Ian

Appleton, but claims to have had a negative response. Mr Appleton was not available for comment yesterday.

Dr Bromhead said: "It would be too expensive to evacuate a town of 8,000 people, but when the ground moves a foot in one day, the 'slip' will be accelerating and they will have no choice."

Mr Norman Graham, assistant chief executive of the council, said that the junction of Steephilldown Road and Ocean View Road in Ventnor "is always moving. As the land slips into the sea, the houses tend to go with it."

He did not think there was any cause for extra concern.

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Sell skills for cash, universities are urged

Universities should stop complaining about government cuts and do more to bring in funds from industry, according to a report from the Adam Smith Institute, the right-wing think tank.

The report, *A Degree of Privilege*, says many universities raise less than 1 per cent of their income through selling their research and teaching skills.

The worst is Hull, raising just 0.4 per cent of its annual income from this source, while the best is the Manchester Business School, which raises 52.3 per cent of its income from business.

The report says universities could do "very much more to raise non-government income", and argues this would enhance their academic independence.

Dr Eamonn Butler, the report's author, said: "The budget cuts have already spurred some universities into a more business-like approach, and not before time. Now we must get all universities to follow their example."

Among the universities which have done best at winning industry support are Salford (43 per cent of its income), Southampton (raising £15 million annually from research) and Edinburgh (£12 million).

Sri Lanka peace moves

Cautious Delhi adopts wait and see stance on Colombo treaty plan

India has cautioned against optimism about an imminent settlement of the Sri Lankan civil war, indicating that key elements were still to be resolved.

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, declined to confirm reports that he would be flying to Colombo this week to sign agreements with President Jayewardene of Sri Lanka and the Tamil guerrilla leaders, saying: "Wait and see."

Asked about detailed reports of the accord, he said: "A little too much news is coming out of Colombo."

Mr Gandhi was referring to a stream of statements that all parties involved had agreed to a compromise solution to the ethnic conflict, under which the island's minority Tamil community would be recognized as a distinct nationality, and would be granted a measure of autonomy in the Northern and Eastern provinces. The Tamil guerrillas launched a violent campaign almost exactly four years ago for a separate state in the north.

Mr Gandhi's caution is attributed to unease among the militants about the prior commitment to lay down their arms. The Prime Minister was expected to see leaders of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam in Delhi shortly, and clearly he did not wish to compromise these discussions. As the Tamil principal supporter, India wields considerable influence on them, and informed sources said some LTTE officials were concerned about being coerced into a settlement.

There is also the question of

From Gavin Bell, Delhi

several smaller guerrilla groups involved in the conflict, at least one of which had expressed reservations about the proposed agreements. India officially regards the LTTE as first among equals in this respect, but will clearly have to consider the views of all of them.

● **COLOMBO:** President Jayewardene is determined to sign an agreement with India in a bid to end the island's ethnic conflict, despite opposition from within his own party and the opposition (Vijitha Yapa writes).

Many ask why Sri Lanka has to sign an agreement with India and not with the Tamil groups, and whether this would not be bartering away the independence of the country. The bar association has warned the Government that such an agreement should not be signed. The north and east will be amalgamated as one unit, which the majority Sinhalese fear will eventually lead to the minority Tamils of the country creating a separate state.

The Prime Minister, Mr Ranasinghe Premadasa, a constant critic of India and in whose absence the agreement was negotiated, returned to the island after a fortnight's absence on Saturday.

The Agriculture Minister, Mr Gamini Jayasuriya, has already said he is against the merger of the Northern and Eastern provinces of Sri Lanka, the main core of the new pact, and is expected to resign today after an emergency Cabinet meeting called to discuss the agreement.

President Jayewardene said on Saturday that, under the

agreement, Tamil guerrillas would have to hand over their weapons within 72 hours to a government representative while troops would be confined to barracks.

There would be one regional council in the Northern and Eastern provinces, and elections would be held before December 31 — but the east would have an opportunity in a year's time at a referendum to decide if it wanted to continue the association.

He said that only 40 per cent of the Eastern Province population are Tamils, the rest being 33 per cent Muslims and 27 per cent Sinhalese. He said that a majority would oppose the merger.

"Then what do we gain by this temporary merger?" he asked the 1,200-strong executive committee of his United National Party on Saturday, and answered: "The end of the terrorist movement," which has so far cost 6,000 lives.

In a warning to his Cabinet and MPs who may want to oppose the pact, President Jayewardene said "executive power rests with me exclusively, not with the Cabinet".

He said the Government parliamentary group had given its consent to the proposed solution, and added: "If that support was not there I could dissolve Parliament and call a general election."

Meanwhile, the former Prime Minister, Sir Sirima Bandaranaike, leader of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party, went to the hill capital of Kandy yesterday to meet the *maha nayakas* (chief abbots) of the powerful Malwatta and Asgiriya Chapter to seek their support against the merger.

Refugees add to Sudan's worries



Ethiopian refugees and their children living in the open around Khartoum. The influx of refugees around Sudanese cities is reported to be nurturing an anti-refugee policy in Sudan which is worrying Western relief agencies.

Desperate effort to salvage economy

Khartoum (Reuters) — Sudan's Government has declared a year-long state of emergency in a last-ditch effort to salvage a crumbling economy and curb social unrest, but diplomats said the move is unlikely to produce significant results.

A statement by the President of the Supreme Council, the collective head of state, said the emergency was imposed to end market chaos, illegal hoarding of essential foodstuffs, black market dealings and smuggling.

President Ahmed Ali al-Mirghani said he was also designed to combat armed robberies, widespread in Sudan's southern and western provinces, illegal possession of arms and the disruption of public services.

But diplomats said that they were puzzled by the announcement because a state of emergency, imposed when former President Nimeiry was deposed in a military coup in April 1985, had never been lifted.

"The declaration might be just a renewal of the state of emergency or perhaps an attempt to show that the democratic Government can also be as tough as the army generals who ousted Nimeiry," one diplomat said. "It might well be a storm in a teacup."

The announcement came after a wave of strikes by public service workers in Khartoum, a general strike in Bahr al-Ghazal province in the south, and demonstrations elsewhere against the Government's failure to improve living conditions.

The authorities closed schools in Khartoum indefinitely on Thursday after week-long riots by schoolchildren protesting at a shortage of teachers and books.

The diplomats said street demonstrations would be banned under the state of emergency unless they had prior permission, and strikes would be prohibited.

But they did not expect the authorities to compromise civil rights and basic freedoms or to impose censorship, since the Government of Mr Sadeq al-Mahdi, the Prime Minister, had consistently sought to maintain its democratic image. The coalition Government took office in May last year after Sudan's first democratic elections in nearly 20 years.

The diplomats said the emergency could also be an attempt by the Government to show the International Monetary Fund and other creditors that it was serious in tackling the country's worsening economic problems. A three-man IMF team began fresh talks with Sudanese officials at the weekend on ways to reform the economy and for Sudan to repay about \$370 million owed to the fund.

But the diplomats said the Government did not have the manpower or the resources to exercise effective control over a flourishing black market in such items as sugar, petrol, flour, matches, soap and lubricating oil. An official at the Commissioner's Office in Khartoum told the Sudan news agency SUNA that it was virtually impossible for authorities to enforce government prices for basic goods.

The Interior Minister, Mr Sid Ahmed al-Husseini, has frequently complained that he has too few policemen, saying that low wages discouraged young men from joining the force.

Sudan, wracked by a four-year civil war in the south, has a foreign debt officially estimated at \$6.5 billion, and has not been able to service it fully since the early 1980s.

● **ADDIS ABABA:** The rebel Sudan People's Liberation Army announced yesterday that the Sudanese Government had sent massive troop reinforcements and material to Juba, capital of the country's southern region (AFP reports).

A spokesman for Colonel John Garang's rebel movement said that Juba had been completely cut off by SPLA forces. The SPLA political adviser, Mr Joseph Oduho, said Khartoum was using Saudi aircraft to deliver supplies to the town.

He said that SPLA forces controlled all roads into Juba, including those leading to Zaire in the west, to Uganda in the south and to Kenya in the east.

● **Nairobi:** An Italian Jesuit priest escaped and walked 100 miles to safety in Zaire after being abducted by unidentified kidnapers at Juba, south-west Sudan, Jesuit sources said (Reuters reports).

Father Pio Ciampa, aged 60, was one of three Jesuits reported kidnapped in the same area last week. The fate of his colleagues is not known.

Children killed in Polish bus collision

Warsaw (Reuters) — Nine children returning from summer camp in south-east Poland were killed at the weekend when an oncoming bus veered across the road and ploughed into their coach.

Eight of the victims died instantly in the crash near Kielce, 100 miles south of Warsaw, and a ninth died later in hospital.

A further eight were reported to be in a critical condition.

Spider bite kills two

Genoa (Reuters) — Italian health officials fear a spider with a bite 15 times more poisonous than a rattlesnake *Latrodesmus Predicem Guntanus*, a cousin of the feared Black Widow — may be at large here after two women died after complaining they had been bitten by a spider.

Autopsies failed to clarify the exact cause of death but a specialist said both women had symptoms similar to people who had been bitten by the South American spider.

Corsica blast

Ajaccio (Reuters) — Eight armed and masked men claiming to be members of a banned Corsican separatist group blew up a villa after blindfolding its five inhabitants, hustling them into nearby scrub and locking them into a van.

Serbs protest

Belgrade (Reuters) — Ethnic tensions resurged in Yugoslavia's Kosovo province when 5,000 Serbs staged a mass protest alleging that one of their under-age girls had been sexually assaulted by an Albanian.

Slave camp

Islamabad (AP) — Police raided a forced labour camp at the weekend and freed 12 young boys kidnapped to work as slaves.

93 colonels

Manila (AP) — President Aquino of the Philippines has promoted 93 officers to colonel as part of a reorganization of the armed forces.

Teacher rapist

Peking (AFP) — Pan Yungqian, a former model primary school teacher in Xingcheng, has been executed for raping 16 of his pupils after being influenced by pornographic novels, the China Youth Daily reported.

ANC man 'was shot in back'

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg

A young Coloured member of the outlawed African National Congress who, according to police, was shot dead with his own gun in a scuffle as he tried to disarm and arrest him, was shot in the small of the back at point-blank range, the report on a post-mortem examination by an unnamed private pathologist reveals.

The finding is likely to exacerbate tensions in the Cape Coloured community, where anger is running high over both the death of an ANC man, Mr Ashley Kriel, and disciplinary action being taken against 73 Coloured teachers who refused to conduct end-of-year examinations in 1985.

Last week, five limpet mines exploded in the Cape Town area, causing extensive damage but no injuries. Police found three other mines, which were either defused or detonated harmlessly.

Gangs of Coloured youths also went on the rampage in areas near the city centre, setting fire to cars. In one incident a home-made explosive device was hurled into a mobile video unit used by the police to photograph rioters.

In other violence reported at the weekend, the police said a mob of blacks killed a black man in the Langa township near Uitenhage, in the Eastern Cape, by dousing him in petrol and setting him on fire. The police also said a mob stoned to death a black man at the Vaal Reef mine at Orkney, in the Orange Free State.

In a letter to a Cape Town newspaper, an organization calling itself the Basil February MK Squad claimed responsibility for planting the mines, and vowed to "answer racist violence with people's revolutionary violence until the black, green and gold flag flies over the Union Buildings (seat of government) in Pretoria". Black, green and gold are the ANC's colours.

Gandhi reshuffles depleted Cabinet

From Gavin Bell, Delhi

Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Prime Minister, has assumed control of India's foreign affairs in a minor Cabinet reshuffle after a series of resignations and expulsions of dissidents.

In the changes at the weekend, Mr Narayan Dutt Tiwari was moved from External Affairs to Finance and given the additional portfolio of Commerce. Mr Brahman Dutt relinquished Finance but retained Petroleum and Natural Gas, while Mr M.L. Fotedar, a senior political adviser, was brought in as Minister of Steel and Mines.

All the existing ministers were retained, though it is known that Mr Gandhi is not satisfied with some of them. At the swearing-in ceremony, he said he would carry out a big reshuffle after the monsoon session of Parliament which opens today.

Mr Gandhi rejected opposition demands at the weekend to seek a fresh electoral mandate.

The swearing-in of Mr

Ramaswamy Venkataraman as India's eighth President on Saturday removed the threat of a constitutional crisis raised by a conflict between his predecessor, Mr Zail Singh, and Mr Gandhi. In his address, Mr Venkataraman drew applause when he said he would not "stray beyond the powers enshrined in the Constitution". This was taken as a clear signal that he would not entertain petitions, which had been submitted to Mr Singh, to expel Mr Gandhi for alleged knowledge of improper commissions in defence contracts.

● **Five killed:** Mr Manzoor Hussain Pirzada, a prominent member of a small Muslim sect, and his 11-year-old son were among five people killed by an explosion in his home in Wankaner, Gujarat State, on Saturday night. Police said it was not immediately clear whether the blast in the drawing room had been the result of a bomb attack, or the detonation of a device which was being tampered with.



President Venkataraman, right, taking the oath of office from Chief Justice R.S. Pathak in Delhi on Saturday.

African focus on Pretoria

Frontline states tread softly

From Alastair Matheson, Nairobi

No drastic action on countering South African pressure on the frontline states is likely to follow this week's summit of African heads of state, opening today in Addis Ababa's Africa Hall, even though most of the discussion will centre on this issue. This is because these southern African countries have decided to tread softly in applying sanctions against Pretoria.

At a mini-summit in Lusaka last week, leaders from Botswana, Mozambique, Angola, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe, agreed not to press Botswana and Mozambique to sever air links with South Africa because they depend completely on their links with the republic for trade and communication.

President Kaunda of Zambia and Mr Robert Mugabe, the Prime Minister of Zimbabwe, also decided to retain their own countries' air links with South Africa until they can reduce their economic dependence upon their white-ruled neighbour. This situation apparently has been accepted temporarily by the African National Congress.

The sanctions issue has featured prominently at many previous meetings of the Organization of African Unity, but the difficulties of the frontline states were never

spelled out so clearly as they were last week.

Last year Nigeria was the forceful advocate of radical action against Pretoria. This year, at the just-ended meeting of foreign ministers in Addis Ababa, it was Ghana's turn to press for a strong resolution to be forwarded to the summit.

But other African states in less-exposed positions remain reluctant to deny transit and refuelling facilities to international airlines flying to and from South Africa.

Earlier this year President Moi of Kenya told the OAU that unless such a ban was observed by all African states, Nairobi would not take unilateral action.

Six international airlines, including British Airways, still make regular trips to Johannesburg stopping at Nairobi en route. President Moi said: "We should not be asked to do this alone."

A Kenyan official said later that if Kenya could be sure other countries would not step in and fill the gap caused by such flights, it would observe an OAU ban.

But for all the brave resolutions and threats made by African states against the apartheid regime, few have made any substantial contributions to the OAU liberation committee, which helps finance and co-ordinate the activities of the ANC, Swapo and other bodies.

This was revealed by Mr Ide Oummarou, the OAU Secretary-General, in a recent speech to the 48th session of the committee in Tanzania. He said that more than half the 50 member states had not paid anything "for many years".

Significantly, the committee is moving from Dar es Salaam to Lusaka, where it will be headed by Mr Luke Mwanambika, the Zambian Foreign Minister.

Meanwhile, the election of President Kaunda as the next OAU chairman is now virtually certain after the withdrawal from the contest of his rival, President Babangida of Nigeria and President Mubarak of Egypt.

The other leading topic on this week's agenda will be the enormous foreign debts crippling African states, now totalling some £125 billion.

The foreign ministers, while proposing yet another conference to consider the debt crisis, have left the heads of state to decide whether to take a common stance before the creditors or to continue separate negotiations for easier terms.

Oslo angry at omission from Dounreay report

By Tony Samstag, Nordic Correspondent

Reflecting the concern felt in the Nordic countries, Norway has made what it describes as its last friendly effort to resolve differences with Britain over proposals for a fast nuclear reactor and nuclear reprocessing plant at Dounreay in Scotland.

In a strongly-worded letter to Lord Belsede, the new Minister of State at the Department of the Environment, Mrs Sissel Roenbeck, the Norwegian Minister of the Environment, expresses "astonishment" that Norwegian objections, submitted at public hearings into the plans, "were neither reflected... nor listed as a reference" in the report on the hearings.

The Dounreay issue is potentially far more serious than acid rain as a threat to relations between Britain and the Nordic countries. This year alone, more than 300,000 Norwegians — about 7.5 per cent of the population — and 75 per cent of its municipalities have signed a petition deploring the proposed expansion. About 200,000 of those signatures were delivered to Downing Street. Working groups throughout the region, many at ministerial level, have drawn up similar dossiers.

Anti-Dounreay campaigners in Norway, some of whom want a tourist boycott of Britain, have full government support for their contention that the proposed development would mean increased traffic in radioactive materials in the North Sea, posing unacceptable risks to Norwegian fisheries and to the mainland, particularly in the aftermath of the Chernobyl disaster.

Scientists also argue that a Chernobyl-style accident at Dounreay would affect Norway in much the same way as would the explosion of a nuclear device over mainland Britain.

The Danish Faeroe Islands have been extremely active in the campaign and there have been suggestions, only half in jest, that Orkney and Shetland should secede from Scotland and Britain, re-establishing ancient ties with the Nordic states, in protest over the Dounreay issue. The Orkneys were once a part of the Scandinavian kingdom, and the Viking influence is still strong and obvious there. King Christian I of Denmark ceded the islands to the Scottish crown in the 15th century.

Mrs Roenbeck said last week that her letter was almost certainly the last "friendly" approach on the question of Dounreay. Norway was entitled to seek binding arbitration on the issue, and would do so if necessary, she added.

Outburst halts speech by Khmer Rouge chief

From Neil Kelly, Bangkok

A Cambodian refugee claiming that the Khmer Rouge regime had killed 70 members of her family, hurled abuse at his former head of state during his speech to an international conference here at the weekend.

Mrs Vanna Om Strinko walked to within a few feet of Mr Khieu Samphan, now vice-president of the anti-Vietnamese resistance government-in-exile, and declared: "He cannot speak for the Khmer people. He's a liar and a killer."

Mrs Vanna Om Strinko said she was associated with exiled Cambodians in the United States and France including the actor Haing Ngor, star of the film *The Killing Fields*.

Mr Khieu Samphan stopped reading his speech but did not otherwise react.

The conference, which was opened by Air Chief Marshal Siddhi Savetsila, the Thai Foreign Minister, was attended by delegates from 31 countries representing bodies opposed to Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia.

Mr Khieu Samphan, the Khmer Rouge's current leader, pledged to maintain links with the two non-communist factions.

Pol Pot, the former Khmer Rouge leader the movement claims has retired from all official positions, was named in a conference document as its military commander-in-chief.

Eurocrats leave their fiscal woes and head for the seaside

There is a mixed "end of term" mood in the European Community as the summer recess begins. As the Eurocrats head for the beaches (a trickle began weeks ago) there is gloom over the way budget headaches still dominate affairs. But there is also growing optimism that the "Delors Plan" for ridding the EEC of its financial woes might after all be adopted in some form, perhaps as early as the end of this year.

The failure of budget ministers to agree a budget for next year at their final pre-summer meeting, symbolizes the watershed the Community has reached. When official business resumes in September the EEC will still be faced with the same dilemma: whether to overhaul Community finances completely or — as Mrs Thatcher so ve-

hemently argued at the mid-year summit in Brussels — to concentrate on achieving budgetary rigour within the present system before embarking on grandiose reform schemes.

M. Jacques Delors, President of the European Commission, proposes to double EEC spending on regional and social aid to meet the needs of the enlarged Community's southern members (and, indeed, the needs of Eire and Ulster) and to increase Brussels resources by nearly 50 per cent by altering the basis of revenue gathering from VAT to GNP (gross national product).

Because of farm spending and the fall of the dollar, the present system invariably produces annual shortfalls which the EEC has to cover through

economics and accounting devices, as it did once again earlier this month to cover the 1987 deficit of £4 billion.

Britain says the answer lies

Brussels View

By Richard Owen

less in new schemes for raising money than in spending existing resources more wisely. If the Delors Plan founders at the December summit in Copenhagen at the end of the Danish presidency, the ceiling of 1.4 per cent on the VAT levy under the traditional finance system can be raised to 1.6 per cent to bring in extra cash. This was provided for at the Fontainebleau summit of 1984, the last occasion when an important review of EEC finances was undertaken. But Britain argues that even a rise

in the VAT rate has yet to be justified.

Community officials can reflect on some successes as they relax. The long awaited agreement on cheaper air fares collapsed at the 11th hour, but the Commission is continuing to put pressure on European airlines and hopes to persuade them to end price-fixing and other cartel practices. In the fight against pollution, EEC environment ministers have finally agreed on a phased programme of controls on car exhausts. A five-year research and development programme was finally agreed this month after a six-month hiatus, allowing threatened research on information technology and telecommunications to go ahead.

In agriculture — which lies

at the heart of the budget problem — farm prices have been settled after a three-month deadlock. On the other hand, the farm settlement is viewed unenthusiastically by the Commission, since any savings made through price freezes are negated by currency deals to compensate farmers. Mrs Thatcher is demanding reform of the common agricultural policy as a pre-condition of budgetary reforms, and favours automatic farm-spending cut-outs whenever output looks like adding to the food mountains.

Until this dispute is resolved, farm support and other subsidy systems are bound to cause further disputes between the Community and its trade partners, above all the United States. The summer is likely to be marked not only by trans-

atlantic conflict over the European Airbus project, which Washington says receives excessive government support, but also by an apparently inevitable clash over threatened American overtariffs against imports of what Washington sees as unfairly subsidized European (mostly Italian) pasta. Behind this looming row lurks the spectre of the US Trade Bill, sanctioning American retaliation against "unfair" EEC trade practices, which has already passed through the Senate.

As in previous years when transatlantic trade rows have simmered through the summer, Community officials unlikely enough to deal with trade policy are still at their desks in an otherwise deserted Commission building to head off a tit-for-tat trade war over protectionism.

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SPECTRUM

An affair of the bottle

France's love of wine — and other alcohol — has cost it dear over the years, but there are signs of change. So will there be fewer road accidents next weekend, traditionally the most dangerous of the year? Diana Geddes reports

It was the end of a beautiful weekend last summer. Anne Cellier, a 22-year-old model, was sitting in a traffic jam on the A13 motorway outside Paris on her way home. Suddenly a BMW came hurtling round a corner at nearly 100mph and ploughed into the back of her little Autobianchi car. Anne was dragged from the blazing wreck, but died in hospital three months later after 29 operations and what doctors described as "appalling suffering".

The driver of the BMW, an insurance broker, aged 37, escaped unhurt. He had spent a festive evening with friends and was found to have 1.3g of alcohol in his blood, well over the legal limit of 0.8g (the same as in Britain). When an appeal court upheld his one-year suspended prison sentence this spring there was uproar, something that contributed significantly to the government's decision last month to ban the advertising of all alcoholic drinks on television.

The French are ambivalent, not to say hypocritical, in their attitude toward drinking. While they are in favour of measures to restrict the excessive drinking of others, woe betide anyone who tries to limit their own freedom. The government may ban alcohol commercials on television, but French television programmes are still heavily populated by Gauloise-smoking, hard-drinking heroes.

Whether there is a real mood for change may become evident this weekend, traditionally the most hazardous on French roads. More than 10 million people take to the roads, as hordes of July holiday-makers cross paths with those beginning their August breaks. Last year, 127 people were killed and 2,751 injured over the three days of the August 1 weekend.

France has an acknowledged drink problem. It has the highest reported rate of alcohol consumption in the world, with the exception of Luxembourg, where the figures are falsely inflated because of the boom in duty-free frontier sales. An estimated 5 million people, or one in 10 of the French population, are considered "excessive" drinkers; 2 million are reported to be suffering from alcohol-related illnesses.

Nearly 5,000 people died last year in road accidents directly attributed to drunken driving, compared with just over 1,100 in Britain. The statistics on the impact of alcohol on health and the

crime rate are equally sobering. The respected *Haute Comité d'Etudes et d'Information sur l'Alcoolisme*, set up by the government in 1954, attributes 20 per cent of all serious crime to excessive drinking, including 60 per cent of murders.

France's wine exports amounted to 25.8 billion francs (£2,600 million) last year and the alcohol "lobby", although not well organized, exerts a powerful influence on government policy-making. It is estimated that 10 to 15 per cent of the population depends directly or indirectly on the industry.

Tougher penalties may be introduced for drunken driving, but petrol stations continue to sell whisky, beer and wine alongside sweets and road maps. Government campaigns may warn of the dangers of alcohol abuse, but nothing is done to limit the incredible, almost 24-hour-a-day accessibility of alcohol.

And yet, apart from the occasional *clochard*, one sees fewer actual drunks in France than in many British towns, despite an average per capita alcohol consumption rate double that of Britain.

But the whole French approach to drinking is different

from that in Britain. It appears altogether more civilized. The French do not go in for heavy, incapacitating drinking bouts in adults-only pubs. They tend to spread their drinking throughout the day in cafes and bistros, most of which open before dawn and trade until the small hours of the following morning (the licensing laws dictate they must shut for at least one hour a day). Children are welcome, provided they are accompanied by an adult, although they must not be served alcohol before the age of 18.

"Drinking," says Professor Michel Fontan, president of the *haute comité* and former head of a psychiatric hospital specializing in drinking problems, "is part of our national way of life. The French have a tradition of being 'bon vivants'. They like to drink because it tastes good, it's convivial, it's a sign of friendship. A meal is not a real meal unless there is wine on the table."

Drinking in France tends to be a much more family-oriented affair than in Britain. Much of it still takes place in the home. The average household spends more than 250 francs (£25) a month on alcohol for the home, and a similar amount on wines and spirits in restaurants and bars. Every self-respecting family has its own cave or cellar, stocked with wine, champagne and aperitifs.

In many rural communities in the old days, a child would often get its first taste of alcohol by having a drop of *calvados* or *eau de vie* put in its feeding bottle to help send it to sleep. Children would be offered watered-down wine with their meals from an early age. But with growing knowledge of the dangers of alcohol and the increased availability of non-alcoholic drinks, those customs are dying.

Jean-Marie Buissonnier, aged 41, an accountant with the Texaco oil company, says he remembers his farming relatives in Normandy trying to get him to drink *calvados*. He was six at the time. "I hated it. I used to pour it into the rubber plant in the kitchen when no one was looking. Our 14-year-old son has just started drinking the occasional aperitif, but he never joins us in drinking wine at meals. It's not that we don't allow him; he simply doesn't like the taste."

But recent studies show an increase in drinking among the young. Unlike most of their parents, they drink not because they like it, but in order to get drunk. The French committee on health



Daydream: les amis relaxing (above); but will drink cause a nightmare, such as the tragic crash which killed 44 French children (right) five years ago this week?

education estimates that 12 per cent of 12 to 18-year-olds drink "regularly", and a further 49 per cent drink occasionally. Hard drinking among the young nevertheless appears to be much less prevalent than in Britain.

While average alcohol consumption remains high in France, it has almost halved over the past three decades — contrary to the trend in most other European countries. The consumption of cheap table wine has in particular fallen dramatically, reducing overall

weekly wine consumption from three and a half 75cl bottles for every man, woman and child in 1956 to about two bottles a week now. People over 20 were drinking more than five bottles of wine a week in 1956; by 1984 (the latest figures available) consumption had dropped to slightly less than three bottles.

Meanwhile, the consumption of beer and grain-based alcohol such as whisky has increased, though wine remains by far the Frenchman's favourite drink.

When entertaining, champagne served as an aperitif is increasingly *de rigueur*. Some 130 million bottles of champagne were bought in France last year, compared to a mere 16 million sold to Britain, France's largest champagne customer.

But habits are changing. Office workers in particular are tending to limit their intake at lunchtime. And the once familiar sight of a drinker downing an early-morning schnapps with a black coffee is rare.



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Mooted monster

The British Museum and the Natural History Museum don't necessarily want blood to verify the existence of the Loch Ness Monster, but they do want tissue: preferably bone or skin.

The museums have "to think in terms of real biological happenings", according to Ian Bishop, head of the Natural History's mammals section. In other words, eggs and bones and bodies.

Undaunted, the mystery still lures people up the A82, fervently hoping for a sight of what is by all accounts a very ugly beast. Over the weekend a symposium, "The Search for Nessie in the 1980s", drew some of the most experienced researchers in the field to the Royal Museum of Scotland in

Nessie is still being hunted — but the odds of 200-1 could be far too short

Edinburgh. It was part of the annual meeting of the International Society of Cryptozoology, an organization founded five years ago to help investigations into the sort of low probability creature of which "Nessie" is a much celebrated example. Others include the Yeti and north America's Big Foot.

Taking part were academics and enthusiasts. Tim Dinsdale, a former nautical engineer, spoke on "Three Decades of Nessie Hunting —

A Personal Odyssey". Persistence is not necessarily rewarded, and in 55 visits to the Loch he has had only three sightings.

St Columba is credited with the first view of "the monster" in 565AD on the 24-mile loch. Intermittent sightings are recorded through the centuries, but it was in the 1930s, coinciding with the building of the loch-side road, the A82, that a spate of sightings suddenly began.

But Nessie-hunting is vulnerable to ridicule. Even Sir Peter Scott, the naturalist who invented a new name for the creature (Nessiteras Rhombopteryx) with the soundest of etymological intentions, was not spared, and anagram enthusiasts quickly reworked it to read Monster Hoax by Sir Peter S.

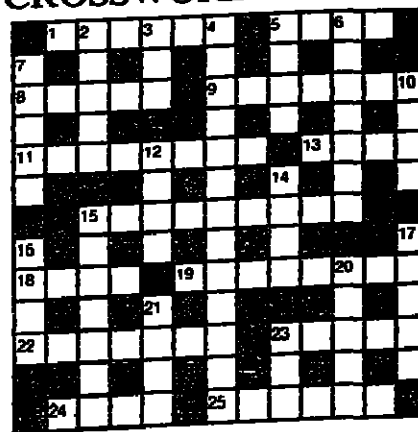
Robert Rines, a lawyer and president of the Academy of Applied Science in Boston, Massachusetts, and also a speaker at the symposium, gives the impression of one who would like to climb into Nessie's every murky cranny and turn the whole thing inside out. On his next expedition, he will be using for the first time declassified sonar equipment made available by the US Government.

For Stuart Campbell, author of *The Loch Ness Monster: The Evidence*, the whole thing is the most absurd waste of time and the 200-1 odds currently being quoted by William Hill are probably not nearly long enough.

Sally Kinnes

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Who takes more care?

The proposed British Airways-British Caledonian merger may run into opposition from the medical profession. BCal is unique among airlines in the pioneer use of defibrillators in emergency equipment packs on their wide-bodied aircraft. The machines, which deliver electric shocks to heart attack victims, were introduced earlier this year but so far no other airline, including the world's favourite, has followed suit. There are fears that a merger will not automatically mean that BA will carry the emergency packs, which are now supplied free to BCal by the American manufacturer. With 150,000 people in the air at any time on scheduled airlines — the population of a small town — doctors regret the absence of this medical facility. They point out that the new defibrillators are automatic and anyone can be trained to use them.

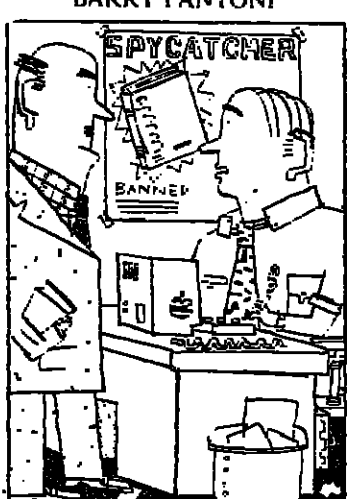
Hale and party

Wolverhampton ratepayers have every reason to hope their councillors stay in the best of health: the slightest malady could cost them dear. At the first full meeting of the council — evenly split between Labour and an alliance of Tories and Liberals — after the May elections, a Labour councillor was absent through illness. So the Conservatives took control for the first time in 16 years by voting in Doreen Seiboth as mayor, who is allowed to vote twice if there is an even split. At last week's meeting a Tory was off sick; Labour adjourned the proceedings to debate the legal position of the council's committee chairman — three Liberals and the rest Conservative — and overturned all their decisions. The merry-go-round could last until next May, when a third of the members face re-election.

Homing in

In an unusual alliance, Reg Fresson, ousted as a Labour MP in a selection battle with Ken Livingstone, is lending his experience as a former housing minister to David Weeks, deputy leader of Tory-controlled Westminster City Council, to cast his eye over inner-city renewal projects. Fresson, who is still looking for a full-time job, will help out Weeks at Probe. Wait for it — it's the acronym of Partnership for Renewal of the Built-up Environment. Just as well Smersh and Spectre were run by the baddies.

BARRY FANTONI



Seasoned travel

British Rail found the excuse to end all excuses for late arrival last week. A Portsmouth to London train was stopped at Guildford by the guard who took sympathy on two passengers who were feeling sick. The reason for the malaise: an overwhelming smell from garlic that was being transported from an Isle of Wight farm to London restaurants.

● Notice on a food cabinet in a Market Harborough shop: "If you are unable to read, you may open the door. Otherwise please ask the assistant to do so." The previous unsuccessful notice, according to the disgruntled shopkeeper, read: "Please ask the assistant to get out whatever you want."

If it pleases...

Barristers are clearly taking seriously the importance of attracting the judge's eye and the public's attention. In *Council*, a bar journal, young aspirants are encouraged to think in "Brightspeak". Keep the rhetoric racy, pack it with pithy phrases and even the dullest of cases will hit the headlines, it says. Success is guaranteed with lines like "Her only crime was to fall in love" or "Cupid was her downfall". On the other hand, if publicity is anathema, "Extend each sentence to the length of a paragraph, use obscure multi-style literary allusions and loss in as much Latin or French law as the judge will permit." One example cited of the method's success: a young barrister told the court that his client, although guilty of theft, had not assaulted his victim. "He had it away on his toes and laid low until the heat was off." The line ensured page three headlines for the lawyer. I reckon they should have sent him back to school.

PHS

Glasnost and the Tartars

Mary Dejevsky sees the Red Square protest as a precedent that others will follow — and wonders how Gorbachov will react

Moscow. The Crimean Tartars have long had a justified grievance. In 1944, as punishment for their alleged co-operation with the German invaders, the entire population of the nominally autonomous republic was deported and resettled in Soviet central Asia. According to the Tartars, more than 100,000 died during the deportation.

The injustice was especially great not just because a whole nation had been branded because of the conduct of its leaders. Under the Soviet nationality system, the injustice was automatically passed on from one generation to the next, each person clearly labelled in his internal passport.

Moreover, other non-Russian groups collaborated with the Germans; whether they did so by choice or under duress — and in a period following the harshest Stalinist repressions, the borderline between the two was very thin — they were not punished so drastically.

In 1967 the Soviet authorities recognized that an injustice had been done and rescinded the decree. The automatic label of traitor was removed and it became a little easier for individual Tartars to leave their places of exile — mainly in Uzbekistan and Kazakhstan — but there was no question of their returning to the Crimea or re-establishing any sort of administrative autonomy.

The treatment of the Crimean Tartars also had a historical and

psychological basis. The deep-seated Russian antipathy towards the Tartars goes back to the 15th and 16th centuries when Tartar hordes plagued Russia's southern borders. Along with the Mongols, they are regarded as partly responsible for retarding Russia's economic development, for making her an "Asiatic" country in European eyes and an autocracy rather than a democracy.

However, the principle of making a whole nation suffer for the transgressions of those in authority has angered many Russian intellectuals. Andrei Sakharov and other dissidents have interceded on behalf of the Tartars, as have cultural figures such as the poets Yevgeny Yevushenko and Bulat Okudzhava, whose intervention helped to persuade the authorities to set up the commission on the plight of the Tartars announced last week. Their case has also been taken up at international human rights forums.

Today the cause of the Crimean Tartars is a litmus test of Mikhail Gorbachov's policy of *glasnost*, which has started to bring into the open all manner of skeletons from Soviet history. It has also encouraged the "nationalities" (the non-Russian peoples of the Soviet Union) to think they might now

have a better chance of preserving their culture and way of life than previously, halting what they see as a process of Russian assimilation. They also hope for greater autonomy.

While the Tartars are a special case, they also represent a precedent which other groups — especially Jews, other religious believers and people of the Baltic republics — will watch closely. The fact that the Tartar demonstrators on Red Square shouted for Mr Gorbachov also shows the extent to which he personally has become a symbol of hope, not only for Russians but for minority nationalities too.

In the long term the extent of those hopes is in itself a risk. What if Gorbachov cannot deliver what his petitioners expect? But there is also a shorter-term risk, to *glasnost* itself. The Red Square demonstration was the first time that official policy and party decisions have been openly challenged by an organized group.

Now that the Tartars have ended their demonstration peacefully, with a promise apparently from Gorbachov himself that they can testify in person to President Gromyko, who is heading the commission on their plight, the next test of *glasnost* will be whether that meeting happens and then, whether or not it does, whether the Crimean Tartars are able to return to Red Square and tell the Soviet public if they are not satisfied.

Bernard Levin: the way we live now

Now that everybody else has finished predicting the future of the Labour Party, including Madame Zaza, the celebrated clairvoyant (and let me tell you that her version was no daffier than Hattersley's), I shall now say the truth on my own behalf. And I begin with a riddle: I shall give the answer to it in the course of this column, but you are all on your honour not to cheat by looking ahead. (I shall stop from time to time to give you a clue.) The task is this: name the Labour politician who, in the wake of the election defeat, said this, in a speech which, as far as I can make out, went wholly unreported:

Persistent long-term efforts to overturn the objective laws of economic life and crush the age-old incentives to work have brought results directly opposite to those we had anticipated... Massive apathy, indifference, disrespect for honest labour, together with aggressive envy toward those who earn more, have led to signs of degradation of a significant part of the people. There is a disbelief in the goals and intentions which have been declared, disbelief in the possibility of a rational organization of economic and social life.

Here is the first clue; if Labour had won the election, the speaker would almost certainly have had Cabinet office. No peeking, now; please read on. On that, it is to be:

We need to permit companies and organizations to set freely, to buy and borrow, in place of fruitless efforts at central planning. We need to realize that there is such a thing as natural unemployment. The real possibility of losing one's job, of being forced to move to a new place of employment, is not at all bad medicine.

Another clue: this politician would be regarded as on the left of the party, though not as far left as the Militants. Next excerpt:

The economic situation will have to depend directly on profit, and profit cannot fulfil its function until prices are liberated from subsidies. Over the centuries, humankind has found no more effective measure of work than profit. Our suspicious attitude toward profit is a... misunderstanding, the cost of the economic illiteracy of people who thought that socialism would eliminate profit and loss. The criterion of profit under socialism simply tells whether you are working well or not. It is even possible that we should consider creating economic free zones.

Another clue, followed by another excerpt, after which I shall withdraw the rabbit from the hat. This Labour politician has not hitherto said anything like this, but has given every sign of complete orthodoxy:

Consumers need to have both rights and opportunities to take what is offered or turn it down. That means they have to have a real choice. It is time to stop deceiving ourselves, and calmly admit that the problem of "consumer choice" — the problem of competition, is not rooted in any social or class relationship. There is no room here for even a whiff of ideology. This is a purely economic problem. Bottom-line market stimuli must extend to all

stages of the research, development, investment, production, marketing and service process. Only the market place, not mere administrative intentions, can subordinate this entire chain to the consumer's demands.

And now I have to admit that although I sternly forbade my readers to cheat, I have myself cheated. Every word I have quoted was said, and nothing was taken out of context (though I elided to avoid giving the game away), but my excerpts were not from a Labour MP at all; the "clues" were spurious, invented to put you off the scent until I was ready.

The answer to the riddle is that the excerpts were from an article in the Soviet magazine *Novyi Mir*, by a Soviet writer (and, I take it, economist) called Nikolai Shmel'ov, and so far he has not been sacked, imprisoned or shot.

I may say that there is in the article matter far more amazing than what I quoted. I had to leave out some of the best bits, such as: The present system of material incentives for conscientious work is ineffective not only because it is worthless. Salaries and bonuses don't work because there is nothing for the people to buy with their money.

But this column is not about the Soviet Union, it is about the British Labour Party. For the fact is that, whereas in the Soviet Union a man has risked his liberty to tell his countrymen some naked truths, hitherto universally denied, about socialism, here in Britain, where Labour politicians and run no such risk, they have told not even one, fully-clad, truth about socialism, and indeed for the most part have never stopped telling the same lies about it as they did during the election.

We are in an extraordinary

situation: socialism does not work, either in the Soviet Union or in Britain. But everybody in the Soviet Union knows that, and now someone has actually admitted it, while in Britain the Labour Party as a whole doesn't know it, and among those who do none has dared to say so.

Let us leave honesty and courage out of the argument; let us concentrate entirely on realism. At the next election there will be another million or so former council tenants who own their houses, and home ownership in general will probably have gone up by several million. There will be perhaps another four or five million "national" shareholders, with a slice of the electricity undertakings, the water boards, the airports and other denationalized enterprises; in addition, I hope there will be a very large increase in employee shareholdings throughout industry, men and women with an interest (in every sense of the word) in their company's prosperity.

Furthermore, the proportion of those working at jobs to which they can go in their best clothes will have risen sharply, and the numbers of those in the smokesack industries will have correspondingly fallen. Further still, the precipitous decline in union membership will have become even steeper. I doubt if there will be more than six or seven million unionists in the country, and many of them will be members of unions which have followed the trail broken by the EETPU.

There will also be a rapidly growing number of schools outside the control of local councils, and a continually increasing number of parents acting on their new-found freedom of choice. There will still be a very substantial number of people unemployed, though considerably fewer than now, but those in work will be even more prosperous than before. And the basic rate of income-tax will be less than 25p.

And to such voters, the Labour Party is likely to be still offering socialism. Indeed, Mr Kinnock has just announced that at the next election he is going to tell them that "socialism is the answer because socialism looks after the individual". Hints have been dropped about its being a different kind of socialism, as indeed they have been dropped about the abandonment of nationalization, but socialism is what Labour now stands for, and socialism, clearly, is what it is going to continue to stand for. But why not offer Zoroastrianism, or fire-worship, or a policy based on the assumption that the earth is flat, or a promise to bring back the Black Death? These would be no less irrelevant than socialism to the real lives of real people, and would be considerably more amusing.

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I think not. Sooner or later somebody in the party will say it, but he will be instantly jumped on by Kinnock and Prescott and Hefner and all the other duds, while the Hattersleys and Kaufmans and Radices, who at least know that socialism is no good, will hold their tongues and hope for miracles. No miracles will befall them: Labour will go into the next election offering much the same as it offered in the last one, slightly tidied up, and the country will walk past, into an increasingly prosperous and liberated future, and leave socialism and its exponents unprinted to their fate.

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which provokes immediate embarrassment. In the official literature of the festival the era is skipped over lightly, the publishers even vetoing a photograph of Richard Strauss receiving a Nazi award. In common with most Austrian literature of the period, a blind eye is turned to events which Austrians admit they have been rather good at forgetting.

To add to official anxiety, Herbert von Karajan, the festival's leading protagonist, enjoys an unfortunate press in certain countries as an alleged early member of the Nazi party. For Salzburg, the combination of the anniversary, Karajan's conducting and an official opening by President Waldheim is hardly a pleasing prospect.

But, however uncomfortable next year's festival may be, few doubt that it will survive the storm. In 1988, as in 1938, the Café Bazar will be full.

Richard Bassett

T.E. Utley

Too obsessed to be my guest

The other day I was woken up in what seemed to be the early hours of the morning by the languid voice of Mr Julian Critchley, conveyed by courtesy of my bedside wireless, exposing a dilemma which went straight to my heart. He said that he had been elected to the House of Commons as a Conservative, and that, according to Mrs Thatcher, he was now meant to be radical.

He found this very difficult indeed, since, in his day, radicals were nasty, dangerous people whom one did not have to dinner. Nevertheless, if Mrs Thatcher said that he must become a radical, indeed that he was already a radical, a radical he would be.

Mr Critchley did not go on to explore the deeper implications of his anguish. That is one of the nice things about him: he points us to matters of philosophical interest without laboriously exploring them. However, since laborious exploration now seems to be the order of the day, I will try to fill the lacuna. I shall ask such questions as "what is a radical?", "is Mrs Thatcher a radical?", "should we all be radicals?" and "how is it that infinitely pleasant people like Mr Critchley and me find it hard to accept the description?"

A radical (the sort of person who must not be asked to dinner) is a chap who wants to impose some rational order on society, be it an order in which every important decision is taken by central government or an order in which every decision is surrendered by central government to the whims of the individual citizens, these being expressed through the "free market".

He is also a chap who thinks that everything in the way of arranging political, social and economic institutions should ideally be the same everywhere in the world, and that we should do our best to make it so. He is also (and this is the crucial point of my thesis) someone who wants to liberate mankind even against its will — forcing it into the right direction, exhibiting total contempt for its sentiments and prejudices. Unlike a Tory, he does not start by looking at the country, trying to discover what its people want and trying to establish arrangements, bearing in mind the national tradition, which suit its particular requirements and which would stand some chance of becoming stable and of winning popular affection.

He is, in fact, a "social perfectionist", assuming that his own definition of "perfection" is accepted. These are the people whom Mr Critchley and I were taught not to ask to dinner — no matter whether they were devoted to the principle of liberty or that of collective organization.

But what I would say to Mr Critchley is this: Mrs Thatcher is

conspicuously not such a person. She is a very cautious, sensible politician, deficient in imagination (a somewhat over-rated quality and one which in my youth was greatly discouraged), rigorously practical and inspired by a general desire to swim with the tide of history, but equally convinced that its direction can be slightly but significantly altered from time to time. That is why the electorate gave her a third term of office.

This, of course, is not an interpretation of events which will appeal to her: she would probably prefer to think of herself as somebody who has changed the course of human history by her own volition, but, *au fond*, she knows that nobody ever has.

To get back to the main point: she is not liberating theory according to some abstract theory and against their own will. She came on the scene at a point when the power of the state over our affairs had been increased to an intolerable extent. It had been increased in obedience to a theoretical, radical concept — that of distributed justice presided over by government. The real trouble was done by that latter-day Saint Atlee between 1945 and 1950; then followed a period in which the frontiers of government were somewhat turned back, and we got "the mixed economy" and all that lark, most incorrectly described as "corporatist".

By 1979 the whole nation

yearned for something to be done to take us back to a state of affairs in which government concentrated on maintaining a framework of law within which private interests could be pursued, subject to occasional interventions to meet intolerable evils.

By responding to this need, Mrs Thatcher has not made herself into a radical. She does not challenge institutions, like the Royal Mail, which have a fundamental place in the affections of the people. Yet there are many institutions inflicted on us since the war which have no such place. Happily it is, for example, part of the consensus that everybody, however poor, should have access to the best medical treatment; and that everybody, however dim, should have access to the most appropriate form of education. This, however, does not mean that the health service and the education system must be maintained exactly as they are; in fact it means quite the opposite. Mrs Thatcher is, in fact, doing far less to reform these institutions than she should be — ironically for fear of being regarded as too much of a radical. Mr Critchley and I should have no difficulty in supporting her or indeed, dining with her. Our objections to her style are purely aesthetic, and it would be kind of her to stop describing herself so often as a "radical".

however... Philip Howard

Have Gulliver, will travel

I have troubles to tell of my tidings are bad. This is the time of year, Thor hammer, when we are compelled by custom and usage to go on Viking voyage, or as we call it, holiday.

Great is the grief and vast the incompetence. Saga of uproar, eddies of upset, epic of grumbles. Fantastic adventure stories about legendary heroes, i.e. me, with an elegant, laconic style, notable for its air of detached objectivity.

I can see that what one ought to do is drive to beloved Venice, or possibly Florence, or Brussels, or Paris. But can you imagine it? Nobody is going to get the act together. Far from obtaining a green card from the insurance company, we have managed to lose all the car documents, which is going to make getting a renewal of the resident's parking permit tricky.

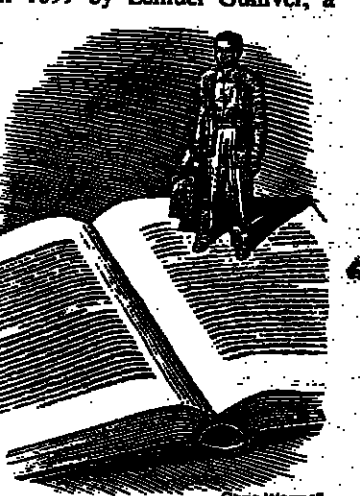
Who are those women who weep as they go to the joy of their fierce father? To many men they do mortal harm, and will do it as long as they live. They are the ones who have saved up for a package tour to Alicante, and can see that it is a mistake before they have started. Going abroad on summer holiday has become a substitute for religion. It is almost always a disappointment, and the photographs are a bane and a nightmare. Who wants to go to Gatwick at five in the morning?

Push off, and sitting well in order smite the sounding furrows. For my purpose is to row to the City of the Legions. It is the richest city in all of King Arthur's domains. Its royal palaces with their golden roofs are as splendid as high and mighty Rome itself. It has a college of 200 sages, all skilled in the science of astronomy, who advise the king on the basis of predictions made from the study of the stars. And to get there, you do not need a passport, or a visa, or to sit fuming in traffic jams, or wait quaking in the departure lounge. Just get the paperback of Geoffrey of Monmouth's *The History of the Britons* for vicarious travelling.

After that, let us go on holiday with Sir John Mandeville, incorrigible cribber, to the fountain of youth and the anti-hills of gold-dust. He who wants to pass over the sea to Jerusalem may go by many ways, both by sea and by land, depending on the country he comes from; many ways come to a single end. It is as exciting as the

Mappa Mundi in Hereford Cathedral, and a great deal more comfortable in paperback than in the flesh.

After that, who's for Lilliput, the island to the southwest of Sumatra and the Sunda Straits, discovered in 1699 by Lemuel Gulliver, a



surgeon on a merchant ship that was shipwrecked on the island. His travels and bleak satire of human nature have appealed ever since, from the nursery to the senior common room, and are an antidote to taking Our Masters too seriously. Lying on the beach in the sun is revolting. If you have to do it (and I should worry about the sunburn blotches on your shoulders), do take something interesting to read rather than the last-minute pulp of the airport hanging-about room.

OK, since we have to travel, let us go next to Gormenghast Castle, hereditary seat of the Lords of Groan, some miles to the east of the sinister Gormenghast Mountain, which struggles up from the tangled trees of the Twisted Woods. Crumbling, Gothic stately home. I agree. Bags not stay in the South Wing. But for company you could do worse than the Technicolor Fuchsia, Dr Prunesquallor, and the melancholy Muzzlehead. Probably more interesting than any real person you will meet, even the lecturers on the Apollo Hellenic course.

All that you need to have a world of travel in your hands is the price of a paperback. Let others lie on the beach and soak in the sunshine. Three maidens through fate to endure. The best travelling is done with a good book.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

FACING UP TO DEBT

In the past few weeks, three leading British banks have announced combined losses of more than £2 billion on loans to Latin American and other developing countries. The total will swell further as other banks join in the public purging, incidentally costing the Exchequer up to £1 billion in lost tax. The banks will finally have acknowledged that more than a quarter of their lending to troubled developing countries must be written off as bad debts.

Rarely, however, can such disastrous commercial results have been received with such equanimity by investors and the financial community. Shares in Lloyds Bank, which topped the list with bad debt provisions of £1 billion on Friday, showed no reaction and, like most of the high street banks, are still valued not far short of their peak for the year. Indeed, British banks were encouraged to be more realistic by the happy stock market experience of the American banking group, Citicorp, whose shares rose sharply in New York when it started the international bank rolling in May by accepting \$3 billion of loan losses.

While superficially perverse, such phlegm in the financial markets should be a cause of profound and general relief. It shows that public confidence in banks is both high and undiminished. That could not have been taken for granted two or three years ago, when there were genuine fears that the third world debt crisis might ultimately undermine confidence in the international banking system, leading to a string of collapses that could have plunged the free world into a new and deeper slump.

International banks have taken too rosy a view of their loan portfolios for several years. By doing so they became prisoners of their own optimism and of the debtor governments, at the same time obliged to co-operate in unrealistic compromises to avoid defaults and both unwilling and unable to engage in new lending to developing countries on an open commercial footing. Earlier action could have broken the log jam of national debt negotiations, speeded structural adjustment in debtor countries and freed more of them from their financial and economic straight-jacket.

A price has certainly been paid for delay. But the banks' caution was not without wisdom. In the intervening years of recovery in the main industrial countries banks have built up much

stronger profits and reserves. The doubtful loans have shrunk to a much smaller proportion of their total assets. When the suspension of interest payments by Brazil finally forced action, strong banks found they could afford to take a more realistic line. Even today, however, realism has exposed weakness in some large international banks. Prompt action all round would have threatened their financial stability.

Bank realism provides one potential key to unlocking the debt impasse. But, as has already become apparent, it may initially make things worse by enabling banks to take a tougher stand in negotiations on rescheduling while giving neither the bankers nor their shareholders much incentive to resume new lending. Much will depend on the response of the most troubled Latin American debtors. Brazil's current attempts to restore a positive relationship with banks and the International Monetary Fund will provide an important test case.

Greater flexibility is now being seen in debt negotiations, helped by new but still primitive market mechanisms. There is now a growing market in doubtful international bank loans and sophisticated schemes for investors (as well as banks) to swap bank debt into equity investments in debtor countries, creating a potential demand for the doubtful debt.

The growth of the secondary debt market could have unpredictable consequences. Discounts on debt in the market have recently widened to an extent that, if sustained, could make the provisions now made by the banks look insufficient. If the market develops, the discounts on debt established by supply and demand could become a standard which banks were obliged to follow in their own balance sheets.

Debt markets also open the unusual possibility of debtor countries buying back their own debt at a heavy discount in order to improve their finances, as Bolivia has already realized. It could even make sense for international agencies such as the World Bank to lend money to enable countries to restructure their finances in this way. Realism and a return to market mechanisms, while offering new ways of resolving the debt log jam, will surely also prove uncomfortable both to the debtor countries and to the international banks.

THE RABBIT AND THE ASS

Many years ago a farmer made a discovery. It was a new long-eared animal that was excellent for the pot and bred like nothing he had ever seen before. To protect his secret from his rivals he penned all his new beasts - which he called rabbits - in a cage and put them under the charge of the largest animal in the farmyard, which was an ass.

Unfortunately the ass was not well designed to be a gaoler and some rabbits were stolen. They travelled the world, multiplying as they went. In the beginning they were so useful that a real live rabbit could be sold for as much as a hundred gold pieces. Later they grew cheaper. Rabbit meat and skins were virtually given away.

The farmer, however, was not satisfied. He had owned the first rabbit. So all the rabbits were his. He asked the opinion of the ass, who nodded, as asses are wont to do. He asked a senior ass, who said, "don't be silly, the rabbits are in the public domain, out of the bag, I'm afraid, sir". He asked a still more distinguished ass, who was worried about all the other new animals that might escape and said that the farmer was certainly right to claim his rabbits.

A nasty confrontation lay ahead. But instead, off they went to see the oldest and wisest ass of them all.

As the Law Lords gather today to hear the final stages of the Government's battle to stop the British publication of Mr Peter Wright's memoirs, only La Fontaine could do true justice - if that be the word - to the extraordinary position that has been reached. As we argued at the beginning of the case, the Government has a right and a duty to protect its secrets. It had the right and duty to attempt to stop publication of those publicly owned secrets which were once in the possession of Mr Wright.

It has failed in that attempt. Mr Wright's book, *Spycatcher*, is a best seller in the United States, from where it can be bought by anyone in Britain who has a telephone and a credit card. Although the first imported copies sold for £100 each, they become each day more common and it is now planned to import thousands of copies into Britain's bookshops, even into its grocery stores.

British newspapers, however, including *The Sunday Times*, which has bought the rights to serialize the book, and *The Guardian* and *Observer*, which have published various of

Wright's allegations, remain restricted by a range of legal ties. They still have to fight courtroom battles for the opportunity to publish the Wright material on newsprint, the normal means by which the citizens of this country obtain their knowledge of contemporary events.

Early last week it looked as though this curiosity might be quickly cleared away. Sir Nicolas Browne-Wilkinson, Vice Chancellor and senior chancery judge, said of the papers' wish to publish: "Once news is out, it can no longer be confidential. If one is allowed to apply any real common sense then one would say that this information is so widely disseminated and so easily available that for the court to go on saying that you cannot do this is not facing reality."

Later in the week, however, both reality and common sense stayed firmly out of sight. The Master of the Rolls, Sir John Donaldson, rejected the Browne-Wilkinson view. He instead produced modified injunctions which few could interpret with much confidence; and once again *The Sunday Times* was unable to provide its readers with words which were otherwise so freely available from Marble Arch to Manhattan.

Hence, thankfully, to the House of Lords today. The nub of the Donaldson judgment was that the allegations in *Spycatcher* had become public knowledge but were, none the less, still confidential. He persisted in his view that restrictions on publication be continued in order to reassure our allies and to discourage other potential Wrights within the security services.

No ally could be reassured, no future Wright deterred, by such a bizarre philosophy as this. In order to keep a sense of proportion, we should perhaps return to our fable. According to Sir John, the rabbits, although they are freely gambolling around home and foreign fields, are not in the public domain. The farmer still has the right to his secret discovery. He also has the right, therefore, to take out his frustration in idle pot shots against rival farmers who displease him.

Mr Wright's allegations may or may not be true. His memoirs may or may not be worthy of the fuss which they have caused. Our comparison may even turn out to be an insult to the name of the honest rabbit. Everyone must agree, however, with the importance of the law not being an ass.

The Torcello mosaic

From Mr Derrick C. Kingham
Sir, I fully support the views of your correspondent David Gould (July 16) with regard to the sale of the Byzantine mosaic from St Anne's Church, Talygarn.

As the administrator of the rehabilitation centre which is housed in the former Talygarn Mansion, the former home of the Clark family, I have a special interest in this matter. When George Thomas Clark (1809-98) built the church in memory of his wife, Anne, he placed the mosaic head in such a way that he clearly intended it to remain there permanently.

Had it not been for an inexperienced, immature young incumbent that is what could have happened. If, because of his actions, it had to be removed then the Church in Wales, knowing it to have been stolen, should have restored it to the island of Torcello. The Church should not be run on "windfalls" of this kind.

Clark's grave stands uncarved for in the churchyard at Talygarn. Perhaps the Church in Wales could now spend some of the money in restoring it and set up a trust fund to maintain it in perpetuity. Without him there would be no money and no church.
Yours faithfully,
DERICK C. KINGHAM,
Lake House,
Talygarn,
Pontyclun, Mid Glamorgan.

Clergy and Aids

From the Reverend Malcolm A. Johnson
Sir, It would have been helpful had Clifford Longley (July 13) quoted the source of his statement that the total of Anglican clergy who are known to be HIV positive is "believed to be" climbing towards three figures. Rumours on Aids are no help to anyone.

His statement that "since 1981 the Church has continued to recruit to the ministry men who

are homosexual, and they have continued to engage, if discreetly, in homosexual activities" is undoubtedly true and is bound to be so if a normal sample of humanity is recruited.

But Mr Longley should surely have stated that the significant fact since 1981 is the recruitment of women, many of whom will also, of course, be homosexual. The statement that "two men" living in the same house is not sufficient proof - of homosexual activity - entirely ignores this and also ignores the fact, which is common knowledge to those of us who are privileged to be pastors, that many who engage in homosexual acts are married. He also must know that lesbians are not an Aids high-risk group.

Pastoral experience has not led me to conclude that homosexuals in the ministry are less chaste than heterosexuals - or vice versa.

Yours faithfully,
MALCOLM JOHNSON,
St Botolph's Vestry,
Aldgate. EC3.

UK and Europe at odds over VAT

From Mr Peter Langdon-Davies
Sir, Lord Denning when on the Bench was rather more tolerant of bad arguments than some of his judicial brethren, so it may seem ungracious to complain when he puts forward some of his own. But, while most of us are as keen as he is that the European Commission's attack on our VAT system should be defeated, the points he makes in his article, "Britain must stand by its zero option" (July 22), can hardly be helpful to the United Kingdom case and should not be left unchallenged.

He first says that the proceedings brought by the Commission are "entirely out of order" because "the United Kingdom" has no precise meaning. He says that in this context it must mean the "Parliament of the United Kingdom" because it is "the only body which has done wrong". It cannot, he says, be the Crown or the Government because none of them granted the exemptions.

But the Value Added Tax Act, 1983, did not emerge from Parliament of its own notion. It was planned, drafted and introduced by the Government on behalf of the Crown and could not have become law without the Royal Assent so the Crown was involved at more than one stage and in more than one capacity.

His complaint that the Commission has "sued the Government when it should have sued our Parliament" is therefore unjustified. It is also untrue. The proceedings are brought as Article

169 of the Treaty of Rome requires, not against any institution but against the member state itself.

The claim that the Commission in bringing the proceedings is itself in breach of Article 189 is equally unfounded. What Article 189 actually says is that a directive is binding on the member state "as to the result to be achieved" but shall leave to the national authorities the choice of form and methods. If the member state does not achieve the result required by the directive the Commission has grounds for complaint.

Further, there is no question of declaring our Acts of Parliament to be invalid, a power which the European Court of Justice has expressly disclaimed. In such a case, if the Commission is successful the court merely declares that the member state has failed to fulfil its obligations incumbent upon it under the treaty.

There are, however, three points on which I respectfully agree with Lord Denning. The first is the monstrosity of the court building at Luxembourg. The second is the undesirability of keeping the pleadings in these cases secret and the third is a hope that the United Kingdom will be successful in this case. But it would not help and might harm our case if our representatives were to rely on Lord Denning's points.

Yours faithfully,
PETER LANGDON-DAVIES,
5, Kings Bench Walk,
Temple, EC4
July 23.

Teachers' references

From Professor D. A. Wells
Sir, I recently received a pro-forma letter from the headmaster of a State school in the Manchester Education Committee area requesting a reference for a former pupil applying for a teaching post and containing the sentence: "Manchester Education Committee has a policy of open files and therefore references will be shown to applicants if they specifically request to see them."

The practice of disregarding the confidentiality of references merely results in the writing of bland and anodyne references in the full knowledge that their readers are equally aware of their worthlessness. So far from creating greater openness, the practice has precisely the opposite effect.

When I telephoned the school in

question to complain about the procedure I was given a sympathetic hearing but told that a headmaster has no choice in the matter. I then proceeded to dictate my, in fact, almost wholly positive reference, having been assured that it would be treated as confidential in that form.

Would this situation be tolerated by any self-respecting private employer, educational or otherwise? Should the Government not include in the forthcoming Education Bill a clause insisting on respect for the confidentiality of references for applicants for posts in schools and universities?
Yours faithfully,
D. A. WELLS,
The Queen's University of Belfast,
Department of German,
Belfast,
July 20.

Gagging clause

From Mr H. McKenzie Johnston
Sir, The Chairman of the Association of Metropolitan Authorities (July 17) is right to draw attention to the danger of legislation which could give central government the power to gag local opinion, and if that is what clause 26 of the Local Government Bill would do if enacted we should all be alarmed. But does he understand the difference between "local opinion" on local issues and party political opinion on "major national issues"?

What concerns the public is the intervention of political "isms" into questions of practical local administration. What on earth have they to do with whether

"traffic is banned from a town centre"?

Any local authority which feels it has to make a party political issue out of such a matter may deserve to be gagged. It was that kind of approach to practical local matters which gave me most trouble, as a local ombudsman, in dealing with complaints of maladministration.

We, the public, need some form of protection from the minority of local authorities who do not distinguish between "local issues of controversy" and "major national issues of the day" when spending our money.
Yours sincerely,
HENRY MCKENZIE JOHNSTON,
6 Pembroke Gardens, W8.

Protecting children

From the Chairman of The Magistrates' Association
Sir, The 27,500 lay justices in England and Wales will be greatly encouraged by your leader, "Trust the JP" (July 17). The agonising decision as to whether or not a child should be removed from home is made easier when it is taken by a panel of three men and women, trained for the task and having special experience of the needs of children.

In inner London members of juvenile panels are appointed directly by the Lord Chancellor, and elsewhere are elected by their individual benches, having regard to their suitability to deal with children and young persons. In addition to their basic training, which is now extensive, members of juvenile panels are required to undergo specialist training, and to

have this updated by regular refresher courses.

Since they are advised by qualified clerks, whose task is to advise them on the law, the training is concentrated upon the effects of the various disposals open to them, rather than strictly legal matters. High on the list of priorities is the effects of child abuse and the emotional problems arising from removal from home.

Many of the juvenile panel members are themselves parents, and others have specialist experience as teachers and members of other caring professions, assisting in, as you aptly describe it, "the awesome decision about the welfare of a child in danger".
Yours faithfully,
DOUGLAS ACRES,
Chairman of Council,
The Magistrates' Association,
28 Fitzroy Square, W1,
July 17.

Social policy

From Mr Stephan Schattmann
Sir, In Professor Andrew Gamble's view (article, July 21) the "social market economy" concept adopted by Germany's Christian Democrats in 1949 assumed in its ideal form a national economy and a government able to force private interests to operate within general rules; but it had little political content. It was David Owen, he alleged, who was using the phrase in a wider sense by talking of combining social compassion and market realism.

But Mr Longley should surely have stated that the significant fact since 1981 is the recruitment of women, many of whom will also, of course, be homosexual. The statement that "two men" living in the same house is not sufficient proof - of homosexual activity - entirely ignores this and also ignores the fact, which is common knowledge to those of us who are privileged to be pastors, that many who engage in homosexual acts are married. He also must know that lesbians are not an Aids high-risk group.

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Not to mince words, this is a somewhat surprising presentation of historical reality. There is no mention of the concept's salient features: its insistence on backing a free market economy with an adequate social security safety net - as formulated by the Freiburg school of liberal economists, of which Ludwig Erhard was a prominent member. (Apart from thinking of the term "social market economy" - Müller-Armack's main contribution was the presentation of the economic pronouncements in a form suitable for party-political consumption.)

Germany's old people bear witness that this concept has not simply remained part of the political vocabulary but has become an integral feature of social policy. After a full working life (with 40 years of contributions) the German social security retirement pension in 1984 represented 65.5 per cent of average net earnings; it had thus all but equalled the highest level ever reached in the 1970s (under Social Democratic Liberal coalition government) of just over 66 per cent. In the United Kingdom the corresponding figure would be at best 25 per cent.
Yours faithfully,
STEPHAN SCHATTMANN,
65c Wignore Street, W1,
July 22.

Chill wind blowing for farmers

From Mr David Green
Sir, War-time logic for subsidy-generated agricultural self-sufficiency became irrelevant to food production from the moment weapons were developed which can devastate indigenous farming as quickly and as extensively as international communications. The only logic now realistic is that of the peace-time market; and in that market produce may be brought from virtually any corner of the earth within days; if quality is adequate, cost is the only proper concern.

This is a market in which it has become patently ludicrous to subsidise beet sugar, ruining Third World producers of cheap cane sugar to the extent that their incapacity to pay their debts may even wreck our own banking system; to cover northern Europe with oil seed rape and impoverish Third World debtor countries with a product which costs far less; to burn energy in growing things under glass or plastic in the rich areas of the northern hemisphere when that denies a market to those who can grow them at far lower

cost in the open - in the poorer areas of southern Europe and beyond.

Certainly Lord Walton (July 16) is right to urge caution in returning to reality in agricultural economics. But that caution must be directed to a more far-sighted implementation of policies, not to their qualification.

If, for example, the need to reduce EEC dairy production had been balanced against the levels of farm borrowing encouraged by both Government and EEC under the farm and horticultural development scheme, and the bankruptcy inevitable if a ceiling was imposed which made it immediately impossible either to service that borrowing or to redeem it, one doubts if milk quotas would have been introduced in such a way as to cause the awful damage which farming has suffered in areas such as this.
Yours faithfully,
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Rhyd yr Harding,
Castle Morris,
Nr Haverfordwest, Dyfed.
July 16.

Past glories?

From Sir Patrick Macrory
Sir, As well as being the tercentenary of the Glorious Revolution (letter, July 22), next year will see the 300th anniversary of the closing of the gates of London-derry by the apprentice boys in the face of James II's Army, the curtain-raiser to the siege described by Macaulay as "the most memorable in the annals of the British Isles".

As an Ulster clergyman and historian, John Graham, wrote long ago:
There is scarcely a blessing which the English dominions enjoy today, there is scarcely a blessing which England has diffused through other countries of the world, that was not secured by the revolution of 1688. And that revolution was secured by the defence of Derry. (His italics).

The Relief of Derry Project, a voluntary organisation, is at work planning to convert the commemoration of the siege into an event that will enjoy the support of both communities in the city.

Yours sincerely,
PATRICK MACRORY,
Amberdene,
Walton-on-the-Hill,
Tadworth, Surrey,
July 22.

Finding the will

From Mr Peter F. Carter-Ruck
Sir, The difficulty in locating the venue of a will to which Ms Skinner refers (July 15) certainly need never arise if lawyers would follow the practice invariably of taking two additional copies of every completed will, so that one may be retained at home, one at the bank and one in the lawyer's wills register.

In cases where the client prefers to retain the original will, we always record this in our wills register, with a completed copy in a fireproof safe.
Yours faithfully,
PETER CARTER-RUCK,
Peter Carter-Ruck and Partners,
Essex House,
Essex Street,
Surand, WC2.

Places in prisons

From Dr P. G. McGrath and Mrs S. McCabe
Sir, In his article urging privatization of part of the prison service, Lord Windlesham (July 8) says that "neither vested interest nor ideological opposition to privatization" should be allowed to block the advocated change of policy.

May we assure him that in our profound disagreement with his suggestion we are motivated by neither factor. Our opposition is based on principle, and on pragmatism.

The principle is that society having, through the magistracy, decided to deprive a citizen of his liberty, must be seen to be accountable in Parliament for the results to that citizen of that decision; and society is not entitled to delegate the implementation of the decision to an agency whose motive can not be other than profit, rather than service to the public.

On the pragmatic consideration, one need look no further than British Telecom which, it is alleged by Age Concern, has signally failed to maintain, much less improve on, the telephone service to that portion of the public which is already disadvantaged by old age or disability.

We are, Sir, your obedient servants.
PATRICK G. MCGRATH,
SARAH MCCABE,
18 Heathermount Drive,
Crowthorne, Berkshire.

De minimis

From Mr J. H. Stanning
Sir, Mr Parker is right to complain about misuse of "quantum leap" (July 18); but I fear that this phrase has escaped from reality into the world of advertising and similar blarney where anything goes, so long as it sounds superficially impressive.

On the Superchannel satellite television station, a vehicle is being advertised as "the forerunner of small car evolution". I will not buy it, for it must be a very primitive model.
Yours faithfully,
JOHN STANNING,
Burchtoplein 1,
2342 GK Wassenaar,
The Netherlands.
July 22.

ON THIS DAY

JULY 27 1872

"Dr Livingstone, I presume?"
With these prosaic words Henry (later Sir) Morton Stanley (1841-1904) greeted David Livingstone (1813-73) on November 10, 1871. The latter had arrived in Africa in 1866 and what little news came from him finally petered out. In 1868 James Gordon Bennett Jun., proprietor of the New York Herald, commissioned Stanley to find Livingstone.

DR LIVINGSTONE.

The following appeared in the New York Herald of yesterday (July 26), and by the courtesy of the proprietor of that journal we are enabled to publish it to-day:-

"Ujiji-on-Tanganyika,
July 22.

"My dear Sir, - It is, in general, somewhat difficult to write to one we have never seen. It feels so much like addressing an abstract idea; but the presence of your representative, Mr H. M. Stanley, in this distant region takes away the strangeness I should otherwise have felt, and in writing to thank you for the extreme kindness that prompted you to send him I feel quite at home.

"If I explain the forlorn condition in which he found me, you will easily perceive that I have good reason to use very strong expressions of gratitude. I came to Ujiji off a tramp of between 400 and 500 miles beneath a blazing vertical sun, having been baffled, worried, defeated, and forced to return when almost in sight of the end of the geographical part of my mission, by a number of half-caste Moslem slaves, sent me from Zanzibar, instead of the more humane Arabs I had been told to expect. I was still sorer by the truly awful sights I had seen of 'man's inhumanity to man' reared on the bodily frame and depressed it beyond measure. I thought that I was dying on my feet. It is not too much to say that almost every step of the weary journey I was in pain and I reached Ujiji a mere ruckle of bones...

"Well, when I had got to about the lowest verge, vague rumours of an English visitor reached me. I thought of myself as the man who went down from Jerusalem to Jericho; but neither priest, Levite, nor Samaritan could possibly pass my way. Yet the good Samaritan was close at hand, and one of my people rushed up at the top of his speed, and in great excitement gasped, 'An Englishman coming! I see him, and off he dashed to meet him. An American flag, the first ever seen in these parts, at the head of a caravan, told me the nationality of the stranger...

"The watershed of South Central Africa is over 700 miles in length. The mountains thereon are almost innumerable - that is, it would take a man's lifetime to count them. From the watershed they converge into four large rivers, and these again into two mighty streams in the great Nile valley, which begins in 10 deg.-12 deg. south latitude. It was long ere light dawned on the ancient problem and gave me a clear idea of the drainage. I had to feel my way, and every step of the way, and was generally groping in the dark; for who cared where the rivers ran? We drank our fill, and let the rest run by...

"Now, I know about 600 miles of the watershed, and, unfortunately, the seventh hundred is the most interesting of the whole. For in it, if I am not mistaken, four mountains arise from an earthen mound, and each of the four becomes, at no great distance off, a large river. Two of these run north to Egypt, Lufira and Lomani, and two run south into Inner Ethiopia, as the Liambai, or Upper Zambesi, and the Kafue. Are these not the sources of the Nile mentioned by the secretary of Minerva, in the city of Sais, to Herodotus?...

"I conclude by again thanking you most cordially for your great generosity, and am gratefully yours.

"DAVID LIVINGSTONE.
"Mr James Gordon Bennett, Jun."

Unhappy anniversary

One year after the disappearance of Suzy Lamplugh, the two people who now know her best still do not know where she is. But, as they told William Greaves, each feels certain she is no longer alive



Watching and waiting: Diana Lamplugh and Detective Inspector Peter Johnstone, who both knew from the start that something was very wrong

Suzy would never be seen again — alive or dead.

By the time he arrived at Fulham, Suzy's white Ford Fiesta had been found parked at nearby Stevenage Road. Johnstone ordered the boot to be opened and examined, a street search for bodies to be organized, and authorized the house in Shorolds Road (a three-minute walk from the estate agents' office) to be broken into. By dawn, a team of dogs and their handlers were out on the streets. Three hours later, Johnstone alerted Detective Superintendent Nick Carter who, when he retired in January this year, described his failure to solve the puzzle of Suzy's disappearance as the biggest disappointment of his career.

On Wednesday an incident room was set up at Kensington police station. Detective Sergeant Mike Barley was installed as co-ordinator. With him were four officers (who answered phones which did not stop ringing for four days), nine office staff and 18 inquiry officers — a team which remained unchanged for four months.

By December, the interim report which still sits at Johnstone's side in his Fulham office ran to 350 pages. At the latest count, a week or two ago, 2,500 messages and 1,200 letters from the public had been filed, cross-referenced and entered on an analysis board on the incident-room wall; every entry is double-checked with the carousel-file on WPC Barbara Harrison's desk. The nerve centre of the search, which has now moved to Acorn House, Hammersmith, still receives an average of two messages a day.

"We've had a few cranks," of course, but the vast majority of the calls and letters have been genuinely helpful," Johnstone says. "At least

one of them, for instance, suggested that the original appointment could have been made by a Mr Dan Kipper — an anagram of kidnapper."

Why did Suzy's disappearance have such a great impact on the public? "She was identifiable," Mrs Lamplugh says. "There were no grey areas in her life. She was exactly what she seemed to be and exactly how other parents would like their daughters to be." Lord Lucan's was the only other disappearance to have left an imprint on the national memory, but he vanished after a much-publicized murder. As Johnstone remarks: "In Suzy's case, we don't have a row, a struggle, any report of an abduction by force — anything."

Johnstone's explanation for an unprecedented level of public involvement is phlegmatic. "It was July. The papers had been full of doom and despondency and people wanted something more personal to latch on to. This was a frightening case but, above all, it was a mystery. The classic mystery involves a beautiful woman. Suzy was a young, attractive, healthy woman with a good job, a good social life, a good family to back her up, no money problems and no business problems. Of the hundreds of people we have interviewed, we have only found one girl who didn't like her."

The only ingredient which the story lacks is clues. Between 12.35 and 12.40pm, she left her office. At 12.45pm her car was parked at Stevenage Road. At 1pm, Suzy and "Mr Kipper" were seen together by Harry Rignin, who lives in the ground floor flat of 35 Shorolds Road. And even those times are contradictory, because Stevenage Road, near the Thames, is a mile away from Shorolds Road.

From the beginning, "sightings" of Suzy, of "Mr Kipper", or of them together, came in thick and fast. Three British holiday-makers on the

Greek island of Skiathos reported seeing a couple bearing a remarkable resemblance to them sitting in a café. A woman said that her husband looked like Mr Kipper and, on the day that Suzy disappeared, he came home, crept into the cellar and locked the door. A businessman wrote to say that he had seen Suzy strolling through an hotel in Saudi Arabia. The landlady of a Cheshire guest house told of a woman resembling Suzy and a man staying the night and signing the guestbook "Kipper".

Johnstone himself went to Antwerp to interview David Rosengarten — whose family name is Kipper — who was believed to be the owner of a BMW which might have been the one seen parked in Shorolds Road. When, a day or two after her disappearance, she was reported to have been seen at 3pm on July 28 near Shorolds Road, a team of 40 police officers combed every restaurant, café and pub in the area, in case anyone looking like Suzy and Mr Kipper had been seen lunching together.

Each clue, greeted with enthusiasm, ended up as just another red herring. "We are no nearer now than when we started," Johnstone admits. Both he and the Lamplugh family have given up hope that Suzy will be found alive and the detective admits that he would be "personally astonished" if there was ever a man called Mr Kipper.

Do they ever want to know the full truth? "Sometimes yes, and sometimes no," says her mother. "A part of me needs to know what happened and yet she was a great, free bird and another part of me wants to remember her that way."

Johnstone has no such doubts. "The file will never be closed," he

"Of the hundreds we interviewed we found only one person who didn't like her"

Caring for the survivors

The inquiry into the Zeebrugge ferry disaster has published its report, but the tragedy still affects many lives

It is nearly five months since the Zeebrugge ferry disaster. For most the nightmarish images have faded. But south-east Kent is still a community in mourning, still in shock. Half the crew of the watch who drowned lived there and for the hand-picked team of counsellors who run the Herald Assistance Unit in Dover, re-living the horrors of that night are part of a day's work.

The unit wrote to all the survivors and every bereaved family suggesting that a counsellor might visit — an unusual approach in social work. Anyone may request a visit and thousands still do.

When Janet Johnston, a 46-year-old social worker, with six years' experience in bereavement counselling was asked to become a counsellor at the unit, she says she drove home full of foreboding: "Most of us knew it would be the most traumatic job of our lives. Our greatest task is to convince people that they are not going mad."

Many of the people she talks to were not on the ferry — some were friends of those who drowned, some are seamen who changed shifts at the last minute and who feel responsible for someone else's death.

When the home visits are to survivors, the counsellors listen and try to give comfort, to parents who watched helplessly while their children floated away; to the man who now sleeps sitting up in bed with the light on, because the dark reminds him of bodies bumping against his legs, of the cries and prayers of the drowning.

If anything good can ever be said to have come out of tragedies such as this or Aberfan, it is a greater understanding, firstly that effective help for the survivors must take place over a period of months, and sometimes years. Secondly, that it is important to care for the carers.

The staff of the Herald

Assistance Unit have regular group discussions as well as visits from experts like Michael Stewart, a social worker who had been counselling survivors of the Bradford City fire for one year when he realized that the fire had consumed another life: his.

"I couldn't cope. My wife told me I talked of nothing but the fire. It was deeply distressing — after all I was supposed to be the strong one." Stewart, after six weeks' leave of absence, returned to the same work. So far, no members of the Herald Assistance Unit have had to take leave.

In the first chaotic days after the ferry sank, the counselling staff worked in what David Wilkinson, the unit manager, describes as "a kind of fantasy world. One can run on adrenaline in the beginning, but if you keep it up you become very, very strained."

Anne Palmer, a 43-year-old nurse and social work student, was initially contacted by the Social Services Department: she thought that her job would be to show survivors around the mortuary in Zeebrugge (a task so harrowing that no one was allowed to take it on for longer than three days). She now helps with counselling sessions.

Her time with the unit has confirmed her belief that far too many professionals working in the prison service, old people's homes, or with child abusers, have little help from their colleagues or the outside world.

"I think we're all learning a lot during our year here," says Colin Weaver, team leader for south-east Kent. "It's been harder, far harder work than I imagined." Between counselling sessions, Weaver often goes for a walk along the promenade. "I watch the ferries coming and going. Life goes on."

Julia Orange

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Roger Vaughan



Janet Johnston: facing the most difficult task of her life

Romance versus reality

A man of whom I am particularly fond says that I would wriggle out of the most passionate embrace if I thought there was a chance of getting a bacon sandwich. He is right, just as I am right in thinking that he would leap from my arms if someone rang up and offered him a game of golf.

Confirming that sex is not

the be-all and end-all of everyday life, a study undertaken by 400 American doctors revealed that one-third of the couples they interviewed who were aged under 45 had declined to have intercourse for a period ranging from two months to more than a year.

Out of 100 of the couples who claimed to have happy

marriages, 39 per cent of the women and 10 per cent of the men said that they had no interest in sex. In the over-40 age group, 3 per cent of those interviewed were celibate (or said that they were).

This is not to say that the interviewees' lives were lacking in romance. As often as not they felt quite passionately inclined. But when they did, instead of going to bed, and undergoing all the sexual tedium and quite often mutual recriminations that familiarity breeds, they switched on a video film featuring silver moons, lush locations and people with long legs and unblemished skins getting to know each other better.

And a very good idea too. I think people can find themselves in a lot of trouble by expecting from real life that which is only available in fantasies. Men compare their wives with Jane Fonda, forgetting that Miss Fonda has a hairdresser and make-up artist always on tap and that she is able to keep her thighs as slender as walking sticks because she can do her figure exercises while lesser, or rather portlier women, have to queue at Sainsbury's checkout counters.

Women wish their husbands had the wit of Clive James; but Mr James has the benefit of producers and researchers and besides, it is unlikely that he ever has to explain on the telephone why the sales figures for next May haven't been finalized yet, or travel by train to conferences at Croy and Carlisle.

Trying to mix romance with real life is rarely successful. I have known any amount of

marriages come to grief after the "second honeymoon" technique was applied to try to keep the show on the road a little longer.

A cruise to the Canaries may only prove that a man and woman removed from the demands of their domestic routine have nothing to say to each other. And for a wife to swap her sensible chequered coat for a filmy negligée is to trigger off

feelings of inferiority, rather than sexual yearning, in her husband, who will then retire to the ship's bar in a sulk. One of the most instructive films I have ever seen is *100 Women*, where Elizabeth Taylor undergoes grotesque amounts of dieting and cosmetic surgery to regain the love of Henry Fonda. When she presents her firm-up, svelte self in plunge-necked, claret-coloured velvet for inspection, he says yes, very nice, dear, but he's actually met somebody else who is a lot more laughs.

There is no satisfactory explanation as to why ardour comes and goes. But it surely can't be inspired by the humdrum, just as a packet of fish fingers can't get the appetite aroused as much as dinner at Le Gavroche.

Bodily passion is probably better left to the famous and glamorous, although some of them would probably be more contented if they gave it a miss.

Think how much happier Joan Collins would be if, instead of desperately seeking love, she made herself a bacon sandwich and plonked herself in front of a video of *Brief Encounters*.

PENNY PERRICK

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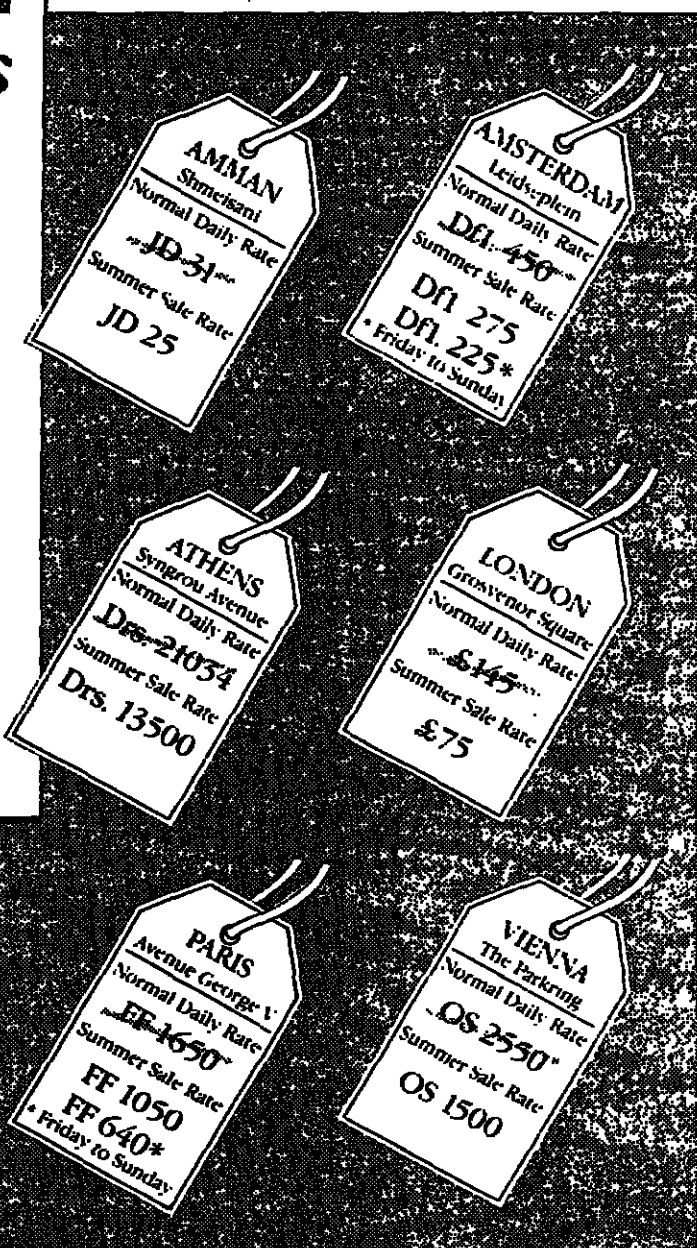
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THEATRE

LONDON

AN INSPECTOR CALLS: Tom Baker and Pauline Jameson in Priestley's evergreen about guilts among the gentry. Westminster Theatre, Palace Street, SW1 (01-834 0253). Tube: Victoria. Tues-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, Sun Wed and Thurs 2.30-5pm, Sat 5-7.15pm, £5-15.

BREAKING THE CODE: Hugh Wharmour's a scandalous drama about Alan Turing, the homosexual computer genius, with John Cusack in the leading role. Comedy Theatre, Princes Street, SW1 (01-830 2579). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, Sat 4-7.15pm, £4-15.

BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS: Neil Simon's vivid recollection of a Brooklyn childhood. Waves of emotion. Julie Covington joins the cast in an NT transfer. Aldwych Theatre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 6404, 01-379 9233). Tube: Holborn. Mon-Fri 7.30-9.45pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £4.50-£15.50.

THE CANTERBURY TALES: Michael Bogdanov's cheerfully bawdy version of Geoffrey Chaucer. Prince of Wales Theatre, Coventry Street, W1 (01-439 5887). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8.30pm, £5.50-£12.50.

CORPSE: Colin Baker and Jack Wadsworth in a thriller of murder, money and deceit. Strand Theatre, Aldwych WC2 (01-836 2660). Tube: Aldwych/Charing Cross. Mon-Sat 8-10.10pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £3.50-£15.50.

COURT IN THE ACT: Gorgeous Gabrielle Drake plays Michael Denison and dazzles Les Montague in this genial 1912 French farce. Phoenix Theatre, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (01-826 2294). Tube: Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Fri 8-10.20pm, Sat 8-10.20pm, mat Thurs 5-7.20pm and Sat 5-7.20pm, £3-£12.50.

FLIGHT: Transfer from Stratford of David Lan's chronicle of a refugee Jewish family. The 88, Barbican Centre, EC2 (01-438 8891). Mon-Fri 7.30pm, mat Thurs and Sat 2pm, £7.50.

FOLLIES: Sondheim's musical, in London at last. Diana Riggs and Julia McKenzie lead a starry cast. Shaftesbury Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, WC2 (01-379 5899). Tube: Holborn/Tottenham Court Road. Mon-Sat 7.45-10.15pm, mat Wed and Sat 3-5.30pm, £10-£20.

HIGH SOCIETY: The show of the film. Stoked with extra Cole Porter. Good performances. Victoria Palace Theatre, Victoria Street, SW1 (01-834 1317). Tube: Victoria. Mon-Fri 7.45-10.15pm, Sat 8.15-10.45pm, mat Wed 3-5.30pm and Sat 4.45-7.15pm, £7.50-£15.50.

JENKINS' EAR: Impressive moral-political farce by Duffie Hughes, set in Central America. Royal Court Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-830 7745). Tube: Strand. Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, mat Sat 4-6.15pm, £4-£10.

KISS ME KATE: After its national tour the RSC production opens in town with Paul Jones and Nicola McAuliffe. Old Vic Theatre, Waterloo Road, SE1 (01-828 7616). Tube: Waterloo. 7.30-10.30pm, £8-£17.50.

LET US GO THEN, YOU AND I: A celebration of the life and poetry of T. S. Eliot with Eileen Atkins, Edward Fox and Michael Gough. Extended until August 1. Lyric Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (01-437 3886). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Fri 8-10pm, Sat 8.30-10.30pm, mat Wed 5-7pm, £2.50-£11.50.

LIGHT UP THE SKY: Re-cast from its premiere at the Old Vic in 1985. Eliza Moshinsky's production of Moses Hart's 1940s comedy with Keith Baxter, Art Metrano, Kate O'Mara and Maureen Audley. Globe Theatre, (01-437 3667). Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mat Wed 3-5.30pm and Sat 4.30-7pm, £4-£10.50.

MELON: New Simon Gray play stars Alan Bates as a glittering publisher imploding with sexual jealousy. Haymarket Theatre, Haymarket, SW1 (01-530 9832). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10.30pm, mat Wed 3-5.30pm, £4-£14.50.

THE MILL ON THE FLOSS: Red Eliot's novel, with feminist thoughts in mind. Gate Theatre Club, Prince Albert Pub, 11 Pembroke Road, Notting Hill, W11 (01-225 0765). Tube: Portobello Road. Mon-Sat 7.45-10pm, £4 plus £1 membership (allows entry for two).

MY SISTER IN THIS HOUSE: Intense and powerful drama, suggesting why two middle-aged women murdered their mistress. Starring performances. Hampstead Theatre Club, Avenue Road, London NW3 (01-722 9301). Tube: Swiss Cottage. Mon-Sat 8pm, mat Sat 4.30pm, £6-£7.

MYSTERY OF THE ROSE BOUQUET: World premiere of a play by Yvonne, the author of *Kiss of the Spider Woman*. Brenda Bruce and Gemma Jones as strangers who meet in a private club in South America. Donmar Warehouse, Earlham Street, WC2 (01-240 8230). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Sat 8pm, mat Sat 5pm, £5-£5.

PUBLIC ENEMY: The promising new Renaissance Theatre Company opens with Kenneth Branagh playing the lead in his own drama about the life of the playwright. Lyric Theatre, King Street, W6 (01-741 2311). Tube: Hammersmith. Mon-Sat 7.45-10pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 4-6.15pm, £5-£10.

ROSENCRANTZ AND GUILDENSTERN ARE DEAD: TV's Olivier Boys play R and G, with Lionel Blair as the Player King. A Nottingham Playhouse production. Piccadilly Theatre, Danvers Street W1 (01-437 4508). Tube: Piccadilly Circus. Mon-Sat 8-10pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 4-6pm, £5-£15.50.

THREE MEN ON A HORSE: Marvellously funny and friendly betting comedy. Geoffrey Hutchings and company joined by Tony Wilcock for this National Theatre transfer. Vaudeville Theatre, Strand, WC2 (01-836 9998). Previews Mon-Fri 8-10.15pm, Sat 8.30-10.45pm, mat Wed 3-5.15pm and Sat 5-7.15pm, £4-£11.50.

THE LIVING DAYLIGHTS (PG): Timothy Dalton follows in distinguished footsteps when he assumes the mantle of James Bond. A globe-trotting plot of East-West intrigue involving Gibraltar, Vienna, Tangier and Afghanistan. John Glen directs his fourth Bond film in a row (130 min). Canon Edgware Road (01-839 1527). Progs 2.40, 4.45, 6.45, 8.45, 10.45. Progs 2.25, 4.25, 6.25, 8.25, 10.25. Canon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

JEAN DE FLORETTE (PG): Absorbing, beautifully shot version of Marcel Pagnol's novel about Provincial life in the 1920s; with Yves Montand and Daniel Auteuil as villagers at fogged-out festival. Claude Berri directs a plot in mind. Claude Berri directs a plot in mind. Canon Edgware Road (01-839 1527). Progs 2.40, 4.45, 6.45, 8.45, 10.45. Progs 2.25, 4.25, 6.25, 8.25, 10.25. Canon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

THE SECRET OF MY SUCCESS (PG): Michael J. Fox climbs Big Apple's business ladder in a comedy of deception and Helen Slater. Comedy for aspiring yuppies with an unrelenting sense of humour (111 min). Canon Edgware Road (01-839 1527). Progs 2.40, 4.45, 6.45, 8.45, 10.45. Progs 2.25, 4.25, 6.25, 8.25, 10.25. Canon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

THE MEN THEY COULDN'T HANG: Couldn't they either, as it turned out, but the country/rock pop-rockers keep coming back for more. Mean Fiddler, 20a Harrowden High Street, London NW10 (01-981 5490) 8pm, £5.

THE MORNING AFTER (15): Unlikely thriller from Sidney Lumet, with Jane Fonda running away from a dead body into the arms of a reformed Jack Braddock (104 min). Progs 2.30, 4.30, 6.30, 8.30, 10.30. Canon Edgware Road (01-839 1527). Progs 2.40, 4.45, 6.45, 8.45, 10.45. Progs 2.25, 4.25, 6.25, 8.25, 10.25. Canon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

SOMETHING WILD (18): An insatiable lady takes a yuppie for a joyride, then her ex-con husband intervenes. Jonathan Demme's offbeat thriller bulges with good things and trendy music, but needs a pair of scissors. With Jeff Daniels, Melanie Griffith and Roy Lundy (113 min). Canon Edgware Road (01-839 1527). Progs 2.40, 4.45, 6.45, 8.45, 10.45. Progs 2.25, 4.25, 6.25, 8.25, 10.25. Canon Royal (01-930 6915). Progs 1.20, 2.55, 4.50, 6.45, 8.40.

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OUT OF TOWN

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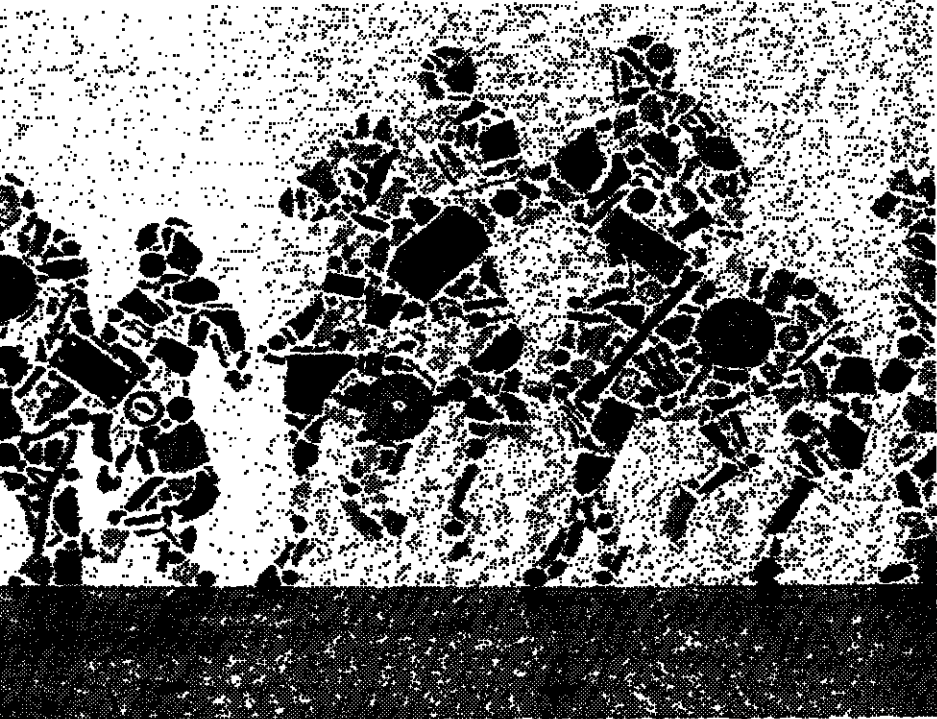
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BBC1

- 6.00** Ceefax AM.
6.35 Leon Errol in 'I'll Take Milk' (b/w).
7.00 Breakfast Time with Frank Bough, Sally Magnusson, Jeremy Paxman and Pamela Armstrong. National and international news at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30; regional news and travel reports at 7.15, 7.45 and 8.15; weather at 7.25, 7.55 and 8.25.
8.35 The Pink Panther Show. Cartoon (r) 8.35 Regional news and weather.
9.05 Children's BBC. **Slobian** Mayer presents the magazine programme which begins with a Bobs Cat cartoon (r) and includes, at 9.30 'Why Don't You...?' Entertaining ideas for bored youngsters (r).
10.00 News and weather. **10.05** Neighbours (r) 10.05 Play School presented by Ian Lauchlin and Lesley Woods.
10.50 Cricket: Fourth Test. Tony Lewis introduces coverage of the fourth day's play in the match at Edgbaston between England and Pakistan. Includes news and weather at 10.55 and 12.00. 12.55 Regional news and weather.
1.00 One O'Clock News with Debbie Thew. Weather. 1.25 Neighbours. Both's fixation with Shane leads to problems on the building site, while the plans made by Helen and Madge to ensure Douglas go away.
1.45 Cricket: Fourth Test. The afternoon session of the fourth day's play. The commentators at Edgbaston are Richie Benaud and Ray Illingworth with summaries by Ted Dexter and Robin Jackson.
4.10 Lassie. Animated adventures (r).
4.55 John Craven's Newsworld. 5.05 Treasure Houses. Mark Curry explores the treasures of canal longboats (r). 5.35 The Flintstones. Cartoon series. 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Sue Lawley and Nicholas Witchell. Weather.
6.35 London Plus.
7.00 Wogan. On tonight's guest list are Clement Freud, and his daughter Emma who sings a song, and Tony Harmsworth, director of the Loch Ness Monster Centre. Plus, music from Jesse Rae.
7.35 Head of the Class. American comedy series starring Howard Hesseman as a teacher of gifted but unruly young people.
8.00 The Rock 'n' Roll Years. 1975-1976. The year of the Common Market referendum and of the American withdrawal from Vietnam. Musical memories are provided by, among others, Queen, Bob Marley and The Stylistics.
8.30 Terry and June. Terry is suspected of being the "mole" when top secret plans disappear.
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Julia Somerville and Philip Hayton. Regional news and weather.
9.30 Survival Years. The first of a new series of three programmes looking at the fortunes of half-a-dozen people - strangers to each other - learning the arts of survival from two ex-SAS soldiers, prior to a stay on a remote offshore island. (Ceefax)
10.10 ScreenStory. For the Term of His Natural Life. Episode one of a three-part Australian drama series about an Englishman, disinherited and thrown out of his home, who, by a strange twist of fate, is found guilty on a trumped-up charge of murdering his father and is deported to Australia. Starring Anthony Perkins, Patrick Macnee, Samantha Eggar and Diane Cilento (r). (Ceefax)
11.45 Weather.

BBC2

- 6.55** Open University: Maths - Modelling Turkeys. Ends at 7.20.
6.55 The Week in the Lords. A repeat of yesterday's programme of highlights of last week's proceedings in the House of Lords.
9.35 Ceefax.
1.20 Hokey Cokey. A See-Saw programme for the very young, with Chico Ashcroft and Don Spencer (r).
1.25 Cricket: Fourth Test. The opening overs of the fourth afternoon's play in the match at Edgbaston between England and Pakistan.
1.45 Ceefax.
2.30 Gardeners' World (r).
3.00 News and weather followed by Sign Extra! Ken Hom's Chinese cooking advice, adapted for the hearing impaired (r).
3.25 News on Sunday. Jenny Michelson visits General Eva Burrows at her London home (r). (Ceefax)
4.00 News, regional news and weather.
4.05 Cricket: Fourth Test. The closing session of the fourth day's play.
6.10 Film: Just My Luck (1987, b/w) starring Norman Wisdom and Margaret Rutherford. Comedy about a jeweller's shop assistant who is in love with the girl who works in a dress shop opposite. His efforts to raise money for the courtship lead him to the racetrack. Directed by John Paddy Carstairs.
7.30 SOE - Englandspiel. Part four of the series on the exploits of the Special Operations Executive focuses on their biggest disaster which occurred after their first Dutch radio operator was caught by the Gestapo (r).
8.30 Star Cops. Nathan Spring investigates a mystery surrounding a missing research scientist working on an American space station. (Ceefax)
9.25 News on Sunday. Messrs Barker and Corbett's guests are Jenny Agutter, Ian Ogilvy and Phil Collins (r).
10.15 Cricket: Fourth Test. Highlights of the fourth day's play.
10.45 Newsnight 11.30 Weather.
11.35 Open University: Stand By Your Banner. Ends at 12.05.

ITV/LONDON

- 6.00** TV-am introduced by Kay Burley and Mike Morris. News at 6.00 and 6.30; weather at 6.25 and 6.55; financial news at 6.35; sport at 6.40; and exercises at 6.55.
7.00 Good Morning Britain. News at 7.00, 7.30, 8.00 and 8.30. 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STOCK MARKET

(Change on week)

FT 30 Share
1845.0 (-71.9)FT-SE 100
2346.9 (-81.8)Bargains
58975 (57774)USM (Datastream)
214.36 (-5.09)

THE POUND

(Change on week)

US dollar
1.6070 (-0.0030)W German mark
2.9770 (-0.0136)Trade-weighted
72.7 (-0.5)Proxies in
favour of
Hogg split

Shareholders in Hogg Robinson Group meet today to decide whether to back their board's proposals for splitting the insurance broking interests from the rest of the business, by forming two separately-quoted companies.

Proxies lodged with the board by Saturday's noon deadline are understood to have been heavily in favour of the demerger, even though approval could disintegrate the TSB Group's £282 million takeover bid for the group.

The Takeover Panel has yet to rule on whether the TSB would be permitted to return with a bid for the non-insurance broking activities.

It seems likely however that other bidders will materialize, which explains why HRG shares closed 38p above the TSB bid price on Friday.

Managers buy
BR offshoot

British Transport Advertising, the poster advertising arm of British Railways, is being sold to a management consortium for an undisclosed sum.

The buyout group is to be known as Ironlook and expects the transfer of the business, agreed by the Government, towards the end of next month.

The group receives a five-year concession on commercial advertising rights at BR stations and other properties.

GUS denies
lifting stake

Great Universal Stores, the High Street stores and mail order group, yesterday denied increasing its shareholding in Dawson International, the Scottish knitwear group, with a view to a takeover bid.

A spokesman said: "We bought just under 2 million shares - around 1.4 per cent - a few months ago as a trade investment and have acquired no further holding since."

£150m credit

Anglo Leasing, the J Rothschild Holdings offshoot which will be floated on the stock market in the autumn, will today complete a £150 million loan facility with a line of international banks. It will be used to provide leasing and credit facilities for business equipment.

RESULTS

TODAY - Interims: Bullough, Control Techniques, Crest Holdings, Gestetner Holdings, Newman Industries, Tribble Harris Li Inc. **Finals:** Border Television (amended), Cowan, de Groot, Mountleigh Group.

TOMORROW - Interims: Thomas Jourdan, Leisure-Time International, Mount Charlotte Investments, National Westminster Bank, Questel, St Modwen Properties, Updown Investment Co. **Finals:** BCE Holdings, Matthew Clark and Sons (Holdings), Kenyon Securities, Murray Smaller Markets Trust, Murray Ventures, Radius.

WEDNESDAY - Interims: Amcliffe Holdings, Huntingdon International Holdings, Phillips, Final: F&H Group, Havlock Europa, Mercantile House Holdings, Misys, David S Smith (Holdings), Stavert Zigomala.

THURSDAY - Interims: Berkeley Govett, Commercial Bank of the Near East, Hill & Smith, Imperial Chemical Industries, John I Jacobs, Final: Neepsend, Stewart & Wight, YRM.

FRIDAY - Interims: Britoil, Cardiff Property, Portsmouth and Sunderland Newspapers (third quarter), Royal Trust Yen Bond Fund, Final: Forminster, Gibbs Mews, Merrydown Wine, Louis Newman, Radiant Metal Finishing, Tex Holdings, Watsam's.

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Governor set
to stand downLeigh-Pemberton may
not be reappointed

By David Smith, Economics Correspondent

Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, the Governor of the Bank of England, is likely to be asked to relinquish his post when his present term expires next summer.

But Whitehall sources said yesterday that speculation that soundings have already begun among possible successors was premature. They said that, if the Governor is not reappointed, the task of appointing a replacement would be one for the autumn.

The list of possible replacements is, in any case, a small one. "This is not the sort of post for which we have to hire a firm of head-hunters," one official said.

It includes at least three internal candidates: Mr Eddie George, Mr David Walker and Mr Rodney Galpin. Among bankers, the list would contain Sir Jeremy Morse, chairman of Lloyds Bank; Sir Martin Jacob, chairman of Barclays de Zoete Wedd; and Sir David Scholey, chairman of Warburgs.

Sir Kit McMahon, chairman of Midland Bank, and former deputy governor, is not thought to be in the running, having been passed over by Mrs Thatcher in Mr Leigh-Pemberton's favour four years ago.

But by far the most interesting suggestion is that Sir Peter Middleton, Permanent Secretary to the Treasury, will take over as Governor. "It would be a pretty unprecedented," a Treasury official said yesterday, while noting that there had been similar speculation putting forward Sir William (later Lord) Arm-

strong, as a successor to the previous Bank Governor, Lord Richardson.

Mr Leigh-Pemberton, who is 60, has expressed his willingness to serve a second term, if asked. And, over the past 12 to 18 months, relations between the Bank of England and the Treasury, as well as the Governor's standing within the Bank, have improved.

But Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, has not forgiven Mr Leigh-Pemberton for his handling of the rescue of Johnson Matthey Bankers, which caused him repeated embarrassment.

And there have been continuing problems, including Morgan Grenfell's involvement in the Guinness affair, and the Bank's failure to inform the Treasury last year of likely City opposition to a proposed 5 per cent tax on American Depository Receipts.

Also, with monetary policy now no longer based on rigid

targets but on pragmatism and management of the exchange rate, Mr Lawson may favour a Governor who is well qualified in this area.

This would favour Sir Peter Middleton, one of the three architects of the Government's medium-term financial strategy in 1980, along with Mr Lawson and Sir Terence Burns, the Government's chief economic adviser.

It would also favour Mr George, director in charge of gilt-edged and money markets. Since taking responsibility for intervention in foreign exchange markets, he has won approval for his supervision of the Government's "hands-on" approach to sterling.

Sir Peter, aged 53, has been Permanent Secretary for the past four years. Mr George, at 48, may still be considered too young for the post.

The Governor is appointed by the Prime Minister, traditionally on the basis of Treasury recommendations.



George: may be considered too young for the top job



Middleton: architect of financial strategy

GEC poised for £200m
start to US expansion

By Michael Tate

GEC is expected to announce today the first of a series of important expansion moves, the acquisition of Gilbarco, a leading US petrol pump manufacturer, for nearly £200 million.

The City believes the news will shortly be followed by that of at least one more, bigger deal, which could see GEC moving away from its traditional electrical and engineering fields.

There has been speculation for some time that Lord Weinstock, the managing director, who has recently talked of significant and

substantial moves in the pipeline, has been contemplating a move into financial services.

Increasingly, it has been thought that GEC is considering using a substantial slice of its £1.8 billion cash mountain to finance a move into the securities and/or mortgages market, in harness with one of the bigger City banks.

One possibility could be a link with Morgan Grenfell, where Mr Robert Holmes & Court has taken a 5.2 per cent share stake - but there are plenty of other opportunities in the sector, with speculation surrounding Clydesdale Bank,

the Royal Bank of Scotland, and Hill Samuel.

Gilbarco, a management buyout from Exxon towards the end of 1986, will slot alongside Avery-Hardoll, GEC's British petrol pump operation.

In his annual report at the weekend, Mr James Prior, the GEC chairman, drew attention to the group's plans to establish Avery's business on a global basis.

Avery-Hardoll last year successfully introduced its electronic petrol pumps, and multi-product dispensers for garage forecourts.

Markets await CBI report

By Our Economics Correspondent

The financial markets, concerned that the British economy is overheating, will focus on the Confederation of British Industry's quarterly industrial trends survey, to be published tomorrow.

Any evidence that industry is moving up against capacity constraints, that export prospects have worsened, or that rising raw material costs are likely to force higher prices from manufacturers, will be taken as bad news.

The City will also be watch-

ing closely for evidence from industry of skill shortages, which would be regarded as a further indication that the economy is growing too fast for comfort.

The most recent monthly CBI surveys have been optimistic, notably on export orders and the general level of business confidence.

There has been no indication, in the quarterly surveys published so far this year, of pressures on plant capacity. The January and April surveys showed the percentage of

firms working below capacity at 50 and 49 per cent respectively.

But, some City analysts argue, the last three or four months have seen a sharp upturn in manufacturing output, which means that capacity constraints could now begin to bite.

In addition, the overall CBI measure of capacity use may disguise severe shortages in certain industries.

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USM REVIEW

Financials still the sector star

By Carol Leonard

The Unlisted Securities Market index out-performed the FT-All Share Index by 15 per cent during the first six months of 1987.

According to County NatWest, in its recently published USM Review, the USM Index rose by 59 per cent to 195.3 in the six months to June, and its growth is expected to continue.

Mr Andrew Holland, County's USM specialist, says: "We expected 1987 to be another year of steady growth both in terms of the number of companies joining and the index performance and, unquestionably, our expectations have been exceeded."

Within the USM, the electronic and computing sectors were strong performers with the Electronics Index rising 44 per cent and the Computing Index rising 67 per cent, outperforming the All-Share Index by 5 per cent and 21 per cent respectively.

The oil sector recovered from its relative low of the past year with the index rising 50 per cent but, for the third time running, the star performer of the market was the financials sector where the index rose by 74 per cent, outperforming the All-Share by 25 per cent.

The new issues count had a poor start to the year - there were no USM newcomers during January - but has

since made up for lost time with the total number to the end of June reaching 38, three more than during the same period last year.

Despite fears in some quarters that the creation of the Third Market would restrict liquidity within the USM, Mr Holland and his team say that since the beginning of the year liquidity on the USM has actually risen significantly, with the average value of shares traded rising from £13.3 million a day to £22.4 million, an increase of 68 per cent.

One of the other main features of the USM so far this year has been an increase in takeover activity - a total of 17

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companies have been acquired. However, Mr Holland says: "Taking into account the number of current bids, yet to go unconditional, the number is nearer to 35." At the end of 1986, a total of only 50 companies had been acquired since the USM was created in 1980.

County's review is accompanied by a selection of share tips from its USM team for the rest of the year.

A "buy aggressively" recommendation is given to Mrs Fields, the cookie retailer. "We believe Mrs Fields will become a major international company over the next few years a jd therefore feel

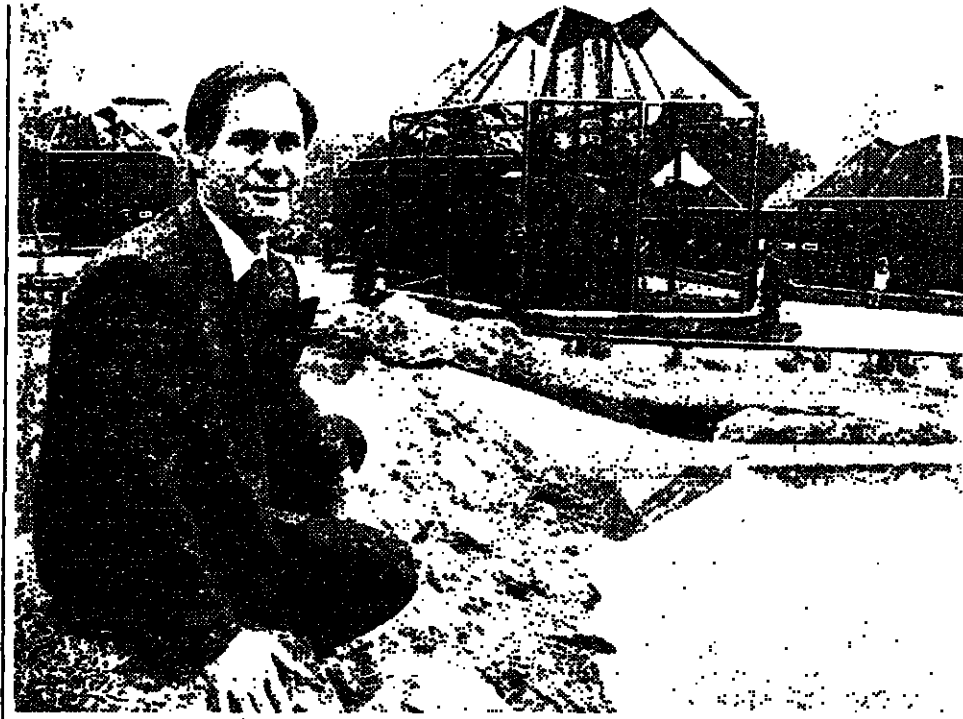
that the recent weakness in the share price, due to profit-taking, provides an excellent opportunity to buy."

County forecasts a 33 per cent increase in profits this year to \$25 million (£15.6 million), with \$38 million in 1988.

Other "buy" recommendations are given to Savage Group, up 5p to 480p on Friday - County says its shares are undervalued and worth at least 500p - Ashstead Group, which is one of the fastest growing non-operated plant hire companies in Britain, Bluebird Toys, which they say is an excellent long-term investment, and Laidlaw Thomson where profit growth is expected to continue. Two other stocks where investors are advised to maintain their interests are Chelsea Man and Ernest Green & Partners.

Elsewhere on the USM, Rural Planning Services, the first USM placing handled by Gilbert Elliott, is expected to go to a healthy premium on Wednesday when dealings begin. The 1.5 million shares were placed at 70p each with institutions, valuing the company at £4.5 million.

Mr Gerald Lavender, the chairman of the USM nuts and bolts packager Welpac, is grooming his other business vehicle, Welbeck - a specialist steel stock holder - for a flotation on the USM early next year. Welbeck expects its turnover to reach a record £28 million



Andrew Grant in the Leeds Castle aviary: he believes Britain is catching up on tourism

Tourism grants record

By Derek Harris, Industrial Editor

Britain's boom in tourism developments is underlined today by an investment analysis which shows English Tourist Board grants at a record level.

The sudden growth is developing a breed of leisure consultants of which Mr Andrew Grant, an American whose experience ranges from theme parks like Disneyland to zoos, is typical.

Universities with leisure industry departments - such as Surrey and Loughborough - are benefiting from the increased work flows together with other specialists like Horwath & Horwath.

Mr Grant runs the AY Grant leisure industry consultancy as well as being managing director of Leeds Castle, near Maidstone, Kent. The castle, owned by a trust, is thriving under a master plan which has developed it as a centre for conferences and events, and as a place for visitors with a golf course, museum and attractions like unusual waterfowl.

Recent developments include an underground grotto and a maze.

The Grant consultancy's client list covers more than 30 projects including a French theme park in Lorraine and one in Portugal.

Among the British projects are an Edwardian theme for Lancaster's Williamson Park, development of Granada TV's studio tours, several museum schemes including one for the London docklands and a development study for the London and Whipsnade zoos.

Planned regional shopping centres are increasingly having leisure and entertainment elements incorporated and Grant is involved in the Blue Water Park, Swanscombe, project just off the M25.

This £200 million development by Blue Circle Industries and Shearwater, part of Rosehaugh Property, includes a leisure park in the first phase with a 700-acre theme park in prospect for a second phase. Mr Grant said: "In some

ways Britain is a long way behind the US. They had tours at Universal Studios more than 20 years ago and now it is going to happen at Granada. But Britain is catching up quickly."

The latest ETB analysis shows that its tourism investments last year were the biggest since 1971. There were 630 tourism projects which were supported by grants totalling £14 million leading to a further £108.6 million in investment.

A four-year programme had targeted the creation of 6,000 jobs but actually made 8,600. Last year the cost per job dropped to £4,800, prompting Mr Duncan Black, the ETB chairman, to say: "This underlines our claim that tourism is the most successful and cost-effective job-creating industry in Britain today."

In the four years, 2,167 projects have been assisted with grants totalling £47.9 million leading to further investment of £360 million.

Revenue
to lose
£1bn on
bad debt

By Our Economics Correspondent

Discussions between the clearing banks and the Inland Revenue on the tax treatment of bad debt provisions have begun amid indications that the cost to the Exchequer this year could total £1 billion.

Three of the big four banks - Midland, National Westminster and Lloyds - have already announced substantial bad debt provisions against sovereign loans to debtor countries such as Brazil and Mexico.

But the precise tax treatment of these provisions remains to be settled. A Treasury spokesman said yesterday that the amount of provision that could be allowed against tax would depend on the detail of the loans and the borrower.

It is admitted, however, that the cost this year will be several hundred millions.

In a speech last week, the Chancellor said: "In the immediate future, at least, this increase in provisioning is bound to mean a significant cost to the taxpayer, since more tax relief will be due to the banks."

The cost of the banks' bad debt provisions is unlikely to produce an overall shortfall in government revenue.

Customs & Excise receipts are rising strongly, buoyed by strong consumer spending. In the April-June period, the first quarter of the financial year which began on April 6, receipts were 9.9 per cent up on a year earlier.

Inland Revenue receipts are also strong, helped by growing company profits and an increase in the growth of earnings. In the first quarter of the current financial year, they were 5.7 per cent up on the corresponding quarter of last year.

Laidlaw
close to
takeover

By Our City Staff

Terms of an agreed takeover bid by Mr Bruce Judge's Goode Durrant group for Laidlaw Group, the Edinburgh Ford main dealer, are expected to be unveiled this morning.

The bid, which is expected to value the USM-quoted Laidlaw at close to £25 million, follows weeks of talks between Goode Durrant's chairman, Mr Michael Waring, and the chairman of Laidlaw, Mr Mac Robertson.

Mr Robertson holds 20 per cent of the Laidlaw share capital, and his adviser, Noble Grossart, owns a further 28 per cent, so their agreement was essential. But it has been costly. Goode Durrant is thought to be paying about 300p, almost twice as much as it is understood to have offered initially.

Together the two companies will have an annual turnover of about £160 million and combined pretax profits of approximately £6 million.

Mr Judge, a New Zealander, acquired 51 per cent of Goode Durrant through Ariadne group for £21 million last year, although the Laidlaw deal is likely to dilute his stake to about 40 per cent. He plans to use the international trade financing, commodity trading and housebuilding group as a vehicle for acquisitions.

Two more banks will be hit

by Richard Thomson, Banking Correspondent

National Westminster Bank and Barclays Bank are expected to announce massive bad debt provisions - eating heavily into their profits - when they report their half-year results this week.

NatWest has already said that it is putting aside £466 million against its Third World debt and Barclays is expected to set aside a similar amount.

NatWest's exposure to problem countries in the Third World is £2.6 billion while Barclays is slightly less, at about £2.4 billion.

Barclays is not obliged to follow the other banks in making a large exceptional provision, but it will have to do so to avoid stock market disapproval. It will almost

certainly choose to match the 30 per cent level of specific provisions on Third World debt set by Lloyds and NatWest.

NatWest, which announces its results tomorrow, has already said that it expects to make a profit for the half year despite the higher provisions, although it will be lower than last year's £482 million pretax interim result.

Barclays announces its figures on Thursday and is also unlikely to match last year's interim pretax profit of £434 million.

Neither bank has Third World exposures as large as Lloyds and Midland, which last week announced extra provisions totalling £1.7 billion.

The domestic banking operations of Barclays and NatWest are likely to show strong growth, as they did with Midland and Lloyds.

At the half-way stage last year, Barclays produced only an 8 per cent profit increase because of a slow growth in domestic lending, but since then the bank has speeded that up.

Analysts expect NatWest to come out with the highest equity-to-asset ratio of the clearing banks at 5.4 per cent, down from 5.6 per cent. Barclays will produce a ratio of about 4.5 per cent, down from 4.9 per cent. That is slightly behind Midland's ratio of 4.7 per cent after its package of rights issue and disposals later this year.

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GILT-EDGED

Pressure on sterling could mean rise in interest rates

To all but the most curmudgeonly bears, last week was particularly uncomfortable for the gilt-edged market as one piece of bad news followed another. High bank lending and a large-scale shift into current account deficit were the main depressants, although June's strong bounce in High Street spending also served to disconcert.

The buzz word of the moment is "overheating". First coined in the early 1970s, it is an unfamiliar concept to many economists in the City today. Accordingly, history books are being dusted off and appendices scanned for references to "Barber boom".

Distinguishing features of that faraway time were easy credit and property speculation, and the echoes of these are only too clear today. Then, of course, it all ended in tears with inflation accelerating to unprecedented levels and interest rates having to rise very sharply. Is the same in store for us this time round?

We think not. Personal credit may be expanding fast, but it is doing so in response to strong real income growth, large gains in financial wealth and lower interest rates: as a consequence, the British consumer is not becoming worryingly overborrowed. And we doubt that British industry, in responding to strong demand, is fast approaching capacity limits.

Direct evidence on the extent of capacity constraint will

be forthcoming this week in the form of the CBI's *Quarterly Survey*. The response to one question in the last survey in the late spring sparked off the fears, which have since been fanned by accumulating evidence of strong consumer demand, robust output growth and an improving labour market.

Interestingly, however, the recent NEDC report found no evidence of generalized capacity constraints: and manufacturing investment, after a disappointingly lacklustre 1986, now gives every indication of picking up.

The current account deficit was simply a case of the bad news arriving ahead of its duly expected time. Like others, we have long predicted the return of the United Kingdom to current account deficit as import growth sees a sharp pick-up from the depressed levels seen earlier this year and as export growth slows.

Moreover, there is no evidence, or likelihood, that domestic prices are about to be bid up in some form of "auction" as demand outstrips industry's capacity to supply. Instead, all the indications are that factory-gate prices are rising only slowly.

In sum, current worries about domestic "overheating" are being grossly overdone. Admittedly, anxiety on this score will not abate. None the less, the notion that the Government will deliberately engineer a rise in interest rates to damp consumer spending, curb credit demand and restrain pressure upon industrial capacity is wide of the mark.

What could provoke a move to higher interest rates would be a sharp weakening of

the pound. The Chancellor could not afford to tolerate a significant drop in the exchange rate if inflation is to be held below 5 per cent next year.

Assuming the exchange rate remains close to present levels the rate of retail price inflation will see a renewed decline towards year-end, finishing 1987 slightly below 4 per cent. In 1988, however, inflation will pick up again to track closely the United Kingdom's "core" inflation rate of 4 per cent-5 per cent. Clearly, in these circumstances, a sustained drop in the exchange rate would risk a rise in inflation above the psychologically-important 5 per cent level (we estimate that a 5 per cent drop in the trade-weighted exchange rate would add 0.75 per cent to the RPI within a year).

Our argument about interest rates does presume that the Chancellor will not wish to tolerate an uptick in inflation above 5 per cent and will, therefore, be willing to tighten monetary policy. But we reckon that a 5 per cent-plus inflation rate is a development that Mr Lawson will, indeed, wish to avoid - particularly with domestic pay deals likely to be threatening to edge up, with the world inflation climate becoming increasingly less benign; and most crucially, with the Tory election manifesto having pledged explicitly to seek a further reduction in inflation and, even, eventually to eradicate it altogether.

If we are correct, the issue is whether the pound will, in fact, come under sufficiently serious downward pressure to prompt the Chancellor to give the go-ahead for a regime of higher interest rates.

And on this score we confess to feeling a little apprehensive. While high oil prices and the possibility of

continued Gulf tension will afford some support to the pound, the current account is set to remain in deficit in coming months - albeit on a smaller scale than that seen in May. Thus, the June trade figures - due in less than three weeks' time - could undermine the currency.

Mr Lawson, faced with a run on the pound, would probably try to brazen it out as he did last autumn. There is a substantial "war chest" to hand in the form of a record level of foreign exchange reserves. In these circumstances, all would hinge upon how heavy - and how prolonged - the downward pressure upon sterling turned out to be.

We suspect that what is happening to the Chancellor's favourite money measure, M0, at the time will have an important bearing on the official policy response. If M0 growth is picking up at the same time as the pound is weakening, Mr Lawson will be far more inclined to raise interest rates than otherwise. Unfortunately, we fear that M0 growth will indeed be picking up later this year.

It is by no means certain that the pound will come under serious downward pressure in coming months, although, the expected balance of payments trend can hardly help; indeed, a weaker pound may be altogether avoided. Even so, this does not mean that the gilt-edged market will cease to be apprehensive that interest rates may have to move higher; this anxiety is likely to continue to hang over the market. All in all, it promises to be a nervous summer.

Ian Harwood and John Sheppard
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THIRD MARKET

Capitalization	Company	Price on Friday	Weekly Change
11.63253m	Abelco Group	435	-40
6.475252m	Aberdeen Am Petrol	43%	-1
3.790800m	Allied Insurance	120	n/c
6.731136m	Catalyst Comm	84	-5
23.85846m	Corton Beach	130%	-5
7.053173m	Edenspring Inv	270	-8
18.14400m	Eglinton Oil Ireland	32	-4
1.193584m	Do Warrants	21	-1
7.68352m	Publicing Holdings	75%	-6
10.12278m	Theme Holdings	70%	-13
	Unit Group	139%	1

ANALYSIS

Magnet still faces tests on the journey to its brave new world

Some say every woman's pride is her kitchen so it is no surprise that the market has been fast moving. Although demand has been relatively dull, there has been tremendous jostling for position.

Magnet & Southern, the timber and joinery group, recently renamed Magnet to reflect a punchier, retail-oriented image, is emerging as an exciting player.

Its historic strength was to provide a vertically-integrated service to the building trade. Its exposure to kitchens was stepped up in the early eighties, providing a range of rigid kitchens and one "bread and butter," flat-pack product.

But two years ago, Magnet threw caution to the wind, seduced by the glamour of the retail customer. Turning its back on the jobbing builder, trade discounts were abolished and the catalogue changed. Consumer-friendly display areas or "super showrooms" began to appear.

Mr Tom Duxbury, whose family set up Magnet Joinery, had this brainstorm on becoming chairman in early 1985 after a long period away from day-to-day management. He wanted to be closer to the end-user.

The City and the trade's condemnation were almost unanimous. Why throw away a good reputation and a high



Tom Duxbury: architect of the new strategy

rating for a voyage into uncharted waters, infested with aggressive, retail sharks? As its own supplier, Magnet would not even be able to squeeze suppliers. There would also be heavy spending on the "super showrooms" programme and site acquisition.

But Mr Duxbury was prepared to take the risk. The old watchword, "margin," was replaced by "volume," although quality remained a priority.

At first, things looked black. Profitability was eroded as the trade looked elsewhere and the public failed to recognize Magnet's talents.

Pre-tax profits of £32 million in 1983-1984 fell to £26

million by 1985-1986. Each showroom conversion added 50 per cent to outlet sales but group margins dropped from 16.6 per cent to 10.5 per cent.

Then last year the public woke up and operational gearing came into play. Cost savings were made as benefits of new machinery were felt.

Buoyant sales and recovery of margins to 13.9 per cent silenced critics. Analysts are looking for a 60 per cent profit increase this year to at least £70 million, with margins rising to about 17.5 per cent.

Magnet is having no difficulty finding sites. More than £20 million has been spent on the refurbishment of 180 of 200 outlets with £50 million of rights money earmarked for other refurbishments and land.

The flagship store, to be opened in Kensington High Street, London, encapsulates Magnet's move away from its trade origins. If it succeeds, it will prove definitively that Magnet has retail appeal.

Response to the newly-launched, bought-in furniture range at a handful of stores is encouraging. If this £2 billion market turned down, the growing percentage of bought-in goods (now 25 per cent) allows extra flexibility.

Flat-pack kitchens are the

dominant component of the £1.1 billion kitchen market, so Magnet is to extend its range. Bedroom furniture, more suitable for flat-pack assembly, is also making good progress.

The housing boom underpins demand for Magnet's products. But it is essential for the retailer/manufacture to respond to an increasingly discerning customer-base.

Poor trading at Harris, Queensway and MFI demonstrates difficulties in the mainstream furniture market. The problems of even these large market groups may have derived from blindness to changing tastes and demand patterns.

Magnet has proved an able competitor to MFI and looks set to continue to do well for at least another two years. The real test of the strategy, however, will be the profits trend when demand slows. Vertical integration is not always an advantage.

The shares have enjoyed a meteoric rise during the last two years, heading the market by 48 per cent since January 1985, but it is salutary to note that they have underperformed the market by 33 per cent since their relative peak at the beginning of 1983. The brave Duxbury experiment is only half complete.

Alexandra Jackson

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Britain to seek a freer market in commodities

By Colin Narborough

Mr Alan Clark, the Trade Minister, will tomorrow give notice that Britain, still locked in legal battles over the failure of the International Tin Council, wants to adopt a deregulatory approach to commodities and distance itself from price support agreements.

This comes amid growing fears that the International Cocoa Agreement's buffer stock could remain frozen indefinitely, unless consumers and producers can agree on revised pricing this autumn.

The Government's distaste for such accords has been growing since the tin crisis triggered by the collapse of the ITC buffer stock in 1985, and it is understood to have taken legal advice on whether it can extract itself from some commitments.

Mr Clark will make the Government's views known at the seventh United Nations Conference on Trade and Development in Geneva, now in its final week. He regards market intervention as an ineffective instrument which leads to higher prices that do not necessarily benefit Third World producers.

Britain is instead advocating increased attention to structural change and diversification by the debt-burdened developing nations, the economies often reliant on commodities subject to international accords.

But Mr Clark is expected to underline that any reduction of British commitments to existing international agreements for goods such as cocoa, coffee and rubber, would necessarily be gradual.

Some of the treaty obligations have years to run, but the Government certainly has no new agreements in mind, if they contain economic provisions.

Mr Clark has openly expressed his disgust at past agreements that forced the British consumer to eat bananas from certain producers at high prices.

In line with Mrs Thatcher's fundamental commitment to increased market orientation, the Government plans to pursue a deregulatory approach to world trade in commodities.

Exceptions to this anti-pact stance are likely to be commodity agreements that could help reduce the cost of the Common Agricultural Policy, which suggests that deals involving grains

and sugar could be acceptable.

The US last week urged developing nations to take an open market approach in opening up depressed commodity markets, rather than depending on price stabilization mechanisms which have often proved ineffective.

A policy statement said Washington believes that open markets are the appropriate guides to production and pricing decisions. The results of price stabilization efforts have been meagre and in some cases, counterproductive.

At the three-week United Nations meeting, the number of stabilization pacts to protect them from falling prices.

Engineers to seek new-look titles

By Derek Harris
Industrial Editor

The designation technician engineer (T.Eng.) used by 60,000 professional engineers, will be dropped and a new line-up introduced in the engineering profession under Engineering Council plans.

The change is part of a campaign to be launched by the council this year to boost numbers of technically trained staff to help British industry to compete more effectively, especially internationally.

The council has applied to the Privy Council to make the designation change and it could be confirmed this year.

There are three categories of professional engineer. At the top, there is the chartered engineer (C.Eng.), usually a graduate. There are about 200,000 of these.

Then comes the technician engineer with a Higher National Certificate. At the third level is the engineering technician (Eng.Tech.), usually with an Ordinary National Certificate and with about 20,000 so far on the council's register.

The problem with the last two categories has been the confusion outside the profession over the similarity of their titles, explained Dr Kenneth Miller, director general of the council. Another factor is that the needs of new technologies demand an increasing degree of expertise as technicians are called on for diagnostic work.

The replacement title being suggested by the council for technician engineer is incorporated engineer (I.Eng.). Dr Miller said: "The vast majority in the profession acknowledges that some change has been needed to clear up the confusion."

It has taken 18 months, however, to narrow down the possibilities for the new title itself.

The council wants to bring many more skilled engineers into the professional ranks by encouraging them to register with the council after becoming members of an appropriate institution for their discipline.

£100m refit for refinery

Eso is planning to spend £100 million on re-equipping its Fawley, near Southampton, refinery because of the increasing use of coal in power stations and industrial heating plants.

The work will provide 1,000 jobs during the construction phase which is expected to start next year and is due for completion in 1989.

The refinery will be upgraded to produce products such as aviation fuel, which are increasingly in demand.

ECONOMIC VIEW Overheating and City fears of a Heath fire

The debate over whether the British economy is overheating, far from fading away, has intensified. A series of official statistics, admittedly not all for the same month, have provided a picture of a rush to spend in the high streets, of runaway credit and of a sudden and damaging shift into deficit on the current account.

All these are straws in the wind perhaps. But they are also evidence of severe overheating and a re-run of the Heath-Barber years for anyone who cares to look for it. However, there are two sides to any argument and there are plenty of people, and not just those who work in Nigel Lawson's private office, who see the present overheating fears as grossly exaggerated.

So, overheating or not, let us eavesdrop on a conversation between Messrs Boom (of the non-inflationary kind) and Doom (of the impending disaster sort), two well-known City economists (with names changed to protect the innocent), beginning with the issue of consumer spending.

Consumer spending may be growing too fast for comfort.

Doom: The 3.1 per cent rise in retail sales last month was the shape of things to come. These and the 1.7 per cent increase in overall consumer spending in the second quarter indicate that personal consumption was artificially depressed earlier in the year. Now, strong growth in real incomes, helped by tax cuts, the removal of political uncertainty and lower interest rates will mean that the consumer will spend as if there is no tomorrow.

Boom: The important thing about consumer spending is not its absolute growth rate, but how it is performing relative to the rest of the economy. The monthly retail sales figures are erratic — June's 3.1 per cent rise was preceded by a 3.5 per cent fall in May. Consumer spending in the second quarter was only 3.5 per cent up on a year earlier. Its growth is lower than the recovery in manufacturing, which is 4 to 4.5 per cent up on a year ago. Export volumes in the March-May period showed a 12-month growth rate of 6 per cent, excluding erratics, just below the 7 per cent imports rise.

Industry could be reaching the limits of its capacity.

Doom: The big danger in the present upturn is that industry, while expecting it, has failed to invest sufficiently. Capacity usage, on CBI evidence, is similar to that reached at the time of the manufacturing peaks in 1973 and 1979. The more that demand rises in the future, the greater the proportion of that demand to be met by imports.

Boom: A National Economic Development Office study on capacity constraints, published earlier this month, concluded that investment by industry had been adequate so far, but that it now needed to be stepped up. Fortunately, this is happening. The latest DTI investment intentions survey points to an 8 per cent rise in manufacturing investment this year.

Money and credit are growing at a rate which is bound to lead to higher inflation.

Doom: The £3.9 billion surge in bank lending last month was not a one-off. Helped along by lower interest rates, lending will continue to race ahead. Broad money, M3, is growing at an annual rate of just under 20 per cent. Growth of this sort will not always be offset by declining velocity of circulation. Excessive broad money growth may be about to mesh with inflation. Inflation could be back into double figures next year.

Boom: The scare story about broad money growth has lost credibility with repeated telling. June's £3.9 billion rise was exceptional. But, even so, bank lending is growing because the economy is buoyant, not because of a credit binge. Companies are borrowing to invest. Not all of the current increase in borrowing is due to consumers. And, in any case, individuals are balancing increased borrowing with acquisitions of financial assets. In the current environment of a world economic slowdown and negligible growth in unit labour costs in British manufacturing, it would be very hard to generate a big rise in inflation.

The balance of payments has begun to shift into damaging deficit.

Doom: The May current account deficit of £561 million was no surprise. Britain will have to pay the price for turning on too much demand. That price will be in a continued surge in imports — look at what happened to consumer goods in May — while exports will be hit by the depressed state of export markets. Here on, the balance of payments can only get worse.

Boom: One month's figures do not a disaster make. In the first five months of the year we had a cumulative surplus of £202 million. Even if we do run a few monthly deficits for a while, this has to be set against the huge current account surpluses of the first half of the 1980s. And things would have to deteriorate very sharply from now on even to get to the Treasury's forecast of a £2.5 billion deficit this year.

At this point, Doom and Boom looked up and, spying your correspondent busily scribbling into his notebook, departed in a huff. One was left with the impression that this argument will not easily be resolved.

The first thing that should be said is that, on the basis of the current overheating evidence, the Chancellor is not going to tighten policy unless forced. The second is that the markets, with their present concerns, may be in the mood to try a little forcing.

The best guide to overheating will be presented by the monthly trade figures. Watch them closely.

David Smith

Economist Correspondent

NI builder moves into housing

By Robert Rodwell

Blackbourne and McCombe, the Northern Irish building company, has entered the housing market for the first time.

It is developing its own 150-house project on 35 acres at the seaside resort of Portstewart on Ulster's scenic Causeway Coast. Construction has already started.

The company was founded 12 years ago and has specialized in larger contracts rather than building houses. This was despite the fact that huge public housing contracts placed by the Northern Ireland Housing Executive — Britain's largest housing authority — provided virtually the only buoyant sector for Ulster's construction industry during some otherwise lean years.

Instead, B&M's growth was founded on a number of large school building contracts and, more recently, contracts for high-profile work at Belfast's Aldergrove airport.

Ironically, the company's venture into house building comes just as the NIHE's publicly-funded programme is being cut back.

B&M's Portstewart housing venture will include a variety of houses ranging from detached 2,000 sq ft homes and 4-bedroom "executive" properties to first-time buyers' bungalows. Prices will range from £25,000 to £80,000 plus.

The company also hopes to build a large hospital in Antrim, 16 miles outside Belfast.

Top marks for business

By Ronald Faux
Employment Affairs Correspondent

Six tycoons in the making are celebrating success in the Young Enterprise programme after showing flair as business leaders. The group, all sixth formers, were among 21,000 taking part nationally in the project.

The six have won £200 prizes and a place at an international junior achievers conference at Indiana University, in the United States. The programme aims to promote a sense of entrepreneurship and a liking for business among young people who set up their own companies, design, manufacture and market their own products and do their own book-keeping and financial control.

Edward Morton, aged 17, from Crossley Heath Grammar School, Halifax, wants to be a vet but found himself managing director of Oddbods, a manufacturer of small soft toys, for a term.

"We developed our own production line and quality control threw out the first 50 toys. The idea was that they cost less than £1 and could be adapted as alternative birthday or Christmas cards. We turned over £500 and made £100 profit but it taught us far more about dealing with people and working as a team than it did about making soft toys," he said.

Jane McNeal, aged 17, from Alleynes School, Stoke-on-Trent, was personnel manager and deputy company secretary of Claysafe '86, which made pottery and jewellery and showed her the practical side



Putting theory into practice: economics pupil Jane McNeal

of the O and A level economic theory she had learned.

Many businesses in more than 1,000 schools entered into the spirit of the market economy with ruthless intent.

Heads rolled when sales figures dipped, the statutory three letters of warning were sent to executives thought not to be pulling their weight.

Clare Wylburn, aged 17, of Dumoon Grammar School, whose company produced earrings, stockings and stationery and made £150 profit on a £500 turnover, said: "It was a microcosm of the real world."

One "company accountant" proved so good he immediately secured a job with the bank that was sponsoring his school's project.

Builders' optimism increases

By Edward Townsend
Industrial Correspondent

Builders are at their most optimistic for years and only 4 per cent are working at or below half capacity.

The latest state-of-trade index by the Building Employers' Confederation, published today, shows that 54 per cent of firms are working at or near flat-out levels.

Seventy-two per cent of builders say they expect to increase their workload during 1987 against 61 per cent in the March survey.

The building boom in London continues, with 91 per cent of firms expecting more work this year. In some of the comparatively depressed areas of the North, building contracts have surged, with 65 per cent of builders expecting an increase this year against 34 per cent in the March survey.

More than half of Scottish builders are confident of a greater workload this year, up from 34 per cent in March.

London and the South-west are enjoying the biggest rise in new inquiries but the general

trend of rising business is now evident across most parts of the country. New inquiries for industrial and commercial buildings are well ahead of any other sector.

The BEC said that reports of bottle-necks and shortages have come with the buoyant trading conditions. But it adds that, contrary to other reports, its inquiry reveals that, while the number of firms experiencing delays due to material and labour shortages is increasing, few report serious delays to contracts.

Mr John Parsons, the BEC president, said: "I particularly welcome the evidence from this inquiry of the geographical spread of trading conditions. It is important to stress that spare capacity is still available so that major tasks such as the regeneration of our inner cities can be tackled."

The BEC is urging the Government to launch a tax incentive to encourage private sector companies to invest in the inner city programme.

Busy line halts the deals

The Stock Exchange's admission that some market-makers could face problems over BAA today is only the tip of the iceberg. Most broking firms are protesting just a little too loudly that "we're okay but I think some of the others might have problems," but one trader, who has asked to remain anonymous, tells me: "The system is creaking. Volume has increased so much that it's not just the settlement staff who are falling behind. Every firm in the City is now finding it difficult to deal, especially in smaller stocks where there are fewer market-makers. It can sometimes take more than half an hour to get through because telephones are engaged. Best execution is often impossible." Since Big Bang, the number of bargains executed has fallen from more than 40 an hour to an average of one every 10 minutes and some firms are refusing to take orders after 2pm to allow dealers to catch up. The situation is unlikely to improve until next year when the Exchange introduces Plessey's System X, which will double telephone capacity to 18,000 lines. In the interim, brokers are calling for a return to floor trading for gamma and delta stocks or even the market's closure at 3pm for a week or two. "It's like a powder keg waiting to go off," says Brian Winterford of County NatWest, which transacted 23,000 bargains on the first day of British Gas dealings.

THE TIMES CITY DIARY Circular travel record

According to David Sant, a textiles market-maker at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, it takes almost an hour to do a complete lap of the Circle line on the London Underground. He ought to know because at the end of last week, after a decidedly merry party at the Whitehead Brewery in Chislehurst, he celebrated de Zoete's post-Big Bang success, that is precisely what he did.

Boarding the train at Moorgate, the fatigue of a hard day in the office took its toll and the jovial Mr Sant slept blissfully as the train plied both in and out of his home station — St James' Square (of course). I am assured by his colleagues that he awoke only on his re-arrival at Moorgate and set out on his homeward journey a second time... by cab.

Murky

Among Erich Kramppe's office furniture when he takes up his post as president of Mercedes-Benz in America is certain to be an unusual plastic paperweight containing an intriguing printed message, which, translated from German, reads: "I also find it exciting to work with myself." An exacting boss, he was given

it five years ago by a good-humoured underling following an emotional outburst in the office during his time as managing director of Mercedes in the UK. He has treasured it ever since.

Glamour boy

Not all stockbrokers are pasty-faced workaholics. Anthony Woodward, who has just left City Securities Asia to join CL-Astaire Asia, the Hong Kong office of Astaire & Co, as head of equity sales, is a glamorous ex-Life Guards officer who was once a member of the British Olympic bobsleigh team.

Ray Wilson, who bravely fled the Press and end of the notorious Financial Services Bill as well as the entire City regulation package for the DTI, seems to have developed a taste for the City. I hear that he is leaving the DTI in September to join the TSB as head of Press relations.

Yuppies' puppies

Sporting yuppies are, I hear, launching the City's first beagle pack of modern times. Tucking their pin-stripes into green wellies, they joined the country bowler-hat brigade at the beagling world's social event of the year, the Peterborough hound show, last week, and persuaded the justice to part with £250 in a raffle to help build their kennels in the depths of North Essex. The venture was mooted by regulars at the Jamaica "Jam Pot" Inn, off Cornhill, and they have already been allocated their territory in the murky wastes near Newmarket. Sixteen couples of hounds have been promised by other beagle packs, a date has been pencilled in for a hunt ball within the Square Mile — another modern first — and work starts on the kennels next week. Hoorays wanting to revive the muddy joys of school, university and service life should contact Mark Melvin of Hambros for a meet card.

Package hols

Apparently Japanese executives never go on singles holidays. If ever you do see one on his own there will be 20 more looking for him. And when they do take a vacation there are, it seems, just two things they want to do — play golf and visit sleazy bars. If you are in any doubt as to what they hope will happen it should be dispelled by the name of the country's largest travel agent — Kinki Nippon Tourist.

Carol Leonard

UNLISTED SECURITIES

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UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS



DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SCIENCE & HUMANITIES LECTURESHIP IN ECONOMICS

Applications are invited for the post of Lecturer in Economics to undertake teaching and research in Macroeconomics and Econometrics. The appointee will be expected to teach on the undergraduate degrees in Economics, Economics and Accountancy and other joint degrees and to contribute to the research programme of the recently established Industrial and Labour Economics Research Unit. There are also opportunities to participate in course development at postgraduate level.

The appointment, which will be for three years in the first instance, will be made on the lecturer scale, either Grade A £10,128 to £15,068 or Grade B £15,638 to £19,603 per annum inclusive of London Allowance.

Further details and application forms are available from the Academic Registrars Department, City University, Northampton Square, London, EC1V 0HB. Telephone 01 253 4399, Ext 3037. Closing date for receipt of applications 31st August 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP IN SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY

The University proposes to make a temporary appointment in Social Anthropology for one year from 1 October 1987. The appointment is not renewable. You will be required to offer classes and lectures for both undergraduate and postgraduate students and to supervise some of the latter. Salary will be according to age in a range which is at present £9,305 (at age 24) to a maximum of £19,440 (at age 42 and over).

Typed applications (six copies) with a curriculum vitae should be sent not later than 15 September 1987 to Miss J.M. Noon, Secretary of the Anthropology and Geography Board, c/o The Oriental Institute, Pusey Lane, Oxford, OX1 2LE, from whom further particulars may be obtained. Applicants are requested to arrange for two references to be submitted by the closing date of 15 September. Interviews will be held on 21 September 1987.

THE UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

CRIPPS CHAIR OF PRODUCTION ENGINEERING

The university wishes to appoint to this Chair a person of high academic attainment with an interest in ensuring that the engineering aspects of production are advanced along a broad front.

The successful candidate will be expected to contribute to the undergraduate and postgraduate teaching of the Department, to the development of a short course programme and to build an active research team to complement those activities already existing in the Department. Because of the varied nature of departmental commitment, the University is not specifying particular research areas for applicants. Areas of current need include advanced manufacturing systems, computer integrated manufacturing, CAD/CAM, robotics and manufacturing processes.

Salary will be within the professional range. Forms of application and further particulars returnable not later than 22 September, from the staff appointments Officer, University of Nottingham, NG7 2RD. Ref No 1123.

UNIVERSITY OF LEICESTER ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT

Applications are invited from candidates with suitable qualifications and experience for a new post of Assistant Accountant in the University's Finance Department. The duties of the post will be related to the background and experience of the person appointed, but it is likely that they will include responsibility for the financial administration of at least two of the following areas:

externally-funded research; payment of suppliers; estates and services expenditure; expenditure on central administration and related areas; budgetary control.

Initial salary will be on the Administrative Grade 3 scale (£15,415 to £18,210). A pay award of approximately 7% has been agreed, to take effect from 1 March 1988.

Further Particulars from: The Head of Administration (Appointments), University of Leicester, University Road, Leicester, LE1 7RH.

to whom applications on the form provided should be sent by 12 August 1987.

HERIOT WATT UNIVERSITY

LECTURESHIP IN SPANISH Department of Languages

Applications are invited from candidates with a good honours degree in Spanish to a Lectureship in the Department of Languages for the academic year 1987/88. The starting date is 1st October 1987. The person appointed will contribute to the development and teaching of Spanish and Spanish Language in the Department. The appointee will be expected to teach on the undergraduate and postgraduate degrees in Spanish Language and modern languages, to supervise some of the latter, and to participate in course development at postgraduate level.

Salary will be within the Lecturers' Scale £9,785 - £13,075 or £14,245 - £18,210 per annum. Applications and further particulars are available from: The Staff Officer, Heriot Watt University, Leith Campus, Edinburgh EH6 6AA, to whom applications should be sent by Friday, 7th August, closing date 11.5.87.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK SCHOOL OF INDUSTRIAL AND BUSINESS STUDIES RESEARCH FELLOW IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW PROCESS TECHNOLOGY

Applications are invited for the post of research fellow to work on a cross disciplinary project on implementation. The research will involve working with a number of companies implementing integrated technologies such as CAD/CAM to develop methods for matching organisational integration and control systems with the integrated technology during its implementation.

Applications should hold a good first degree and have an interest in inter-disciplinary research and the problems related to the implementation of process technology. The applicant should be able to communicate and work easily with engineers and managers in industrial companies.

The appointment will be for a period of three years. The salary will be within the Research 1A range £9,305 to £14,825.

Application forms and further particulars for the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627) quoting Ref. No. 53/A/86/J. Closing date 21st August 1987.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD Department of Astrophysics TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP IN ASTRONOMY

Applications are invited for a temporary lectureship in astronomy to be filled from January 1, 1988. The post will terminate on September 30, 1990. This position is a replacement for Dr. P.A. Charles, who will be on leave of absence on La Palma. Applicants should therefore be active researchers in observational high energy astrophysics and willing to participate in the satellite and ground-based programmes of the Oxford group. These include co-ordinated studies of X-ray binaries and cataclysmic variables with IUE and Ginga. Previous teaching experience is desirable.

The post may be associated with a tutorial fellowship at St. Hugh's College and a teaching lectureship at St. Edmund Hall.

Applicants should send a curriculum vitae, and request 3 referees to send references, by September 18, 1987 to Professor D.E. Blackwell, Department of Astrophysics, South Parks Road, Oxford OX1 3RQ, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

UNIVERSITY OF BOTSWANA BOOKSTORE MANAGER

Applications are invited for this position in the Botswana Office from candidates with a degree in management or at least five years' experience in a Purchasing Department, and experience of staff supervision, with an ability to establish and maintain effective good working relations with department heads and members of the University community. Candidates should be able to show good organisational and managerial skills and an ability to self-organise both in writing and orally, and should be prepared to undergo further training.

PROFESSOR IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIONS Applications are invited for this post from candidates with at least a Master's degree (PhD preferred) in Education, preferably in Educational Psychology/Counseling and Consulting. The appointee will have a wide range of responsibilities in the Department, including service training and research operations at university level, and should be in a position to develop new programmes and promote research activities in the Department/Faculty. Relevant teaching and administrative experience at the tertiary level in a developing country will be an added advantage.

Salary scales: Professor P216,004-314,521; Bookstore Manager P15,064-19,932 per annum. Fringe benefits for expatriate will be entitled to contract addition of 30% of basic salary and gratuity of 25% of basic salary plus contract addition on successful completion of a two-year contract.

Applications with names and addresses of three academic referees should be addressed to: The Senior Academic Registrar (Academic Staffing), University of Botswana, Private Bag 0022, Gaborone, Botswana.

by 14 August 1987. Candidates in the UK should send a copy of their applications to the Academic Registrar, University of Botswana (App), 36 Gordon Square, London WC1 0PF.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

FACULTY OF MEDICINE REGIONAL POSTGRADUATE DEAN OF MEDICAL STUDIES

Applications are invited from registered medical practitioners for the post of Regional Postgraduate Dean of Medical Studies in succession to Professor P. Rhodes who retires on 30 September 1987. Further details may be obtained from the Secretary and Registrar, The University, Southampton, SO9 5NH, to whom applications (11 copies from persons in the UK) should be sent before 17 September 1987. Quoting Reference Number 297/AJ/MA/71.

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN SCHOOL OF AGRICULTURE CHAIR OF LAND RESOURCES

Applications are invited for the Chair of Land Resources Studies. Duties include research, special advisory work for the agricultural industry and teaching on crop production. Emphasis will be on the problems of alternative land uses, tropical agriculture and Third World problems relating to crop production.

The appointee will be expected to be innovative and to develop research on land use in relation to the Project Co-ordinator of the Aberdeen Centre for Land Use. Research on crop production relating to the United Kingdom will be developed within the programme of research activities of the Scottish Agricultural College. The appointee will act as Chairman of a Group of four different Divisions of NUSCA and in addition to the normal teaching activities will be expected to contribute to the development of new degree options including tropical agriculture and Third World problems.

Further particulars and application forms from the Personnel Section, The University, Regent Walk, Aberdeen, AB9 1EX to whom applications (2 copies) should be returned by 11 September 1987. (Ref No WD/070).

MARSHAL FOCH PROFESSORSHIP OF FRENCH LITERATURE

The elections intend to proceed to an election to the Marshal Foch Professorship of French Literature. The stipend of the professorship is at present £25,375 per annum. Applications (ten copies) from one or more candidates (naming three referees) should be sent to the Registrar, University of Oxford, Wellington Square, Oxford, OX1 2JG, from whom further particulars may be obtained.

UNIVERSITY OF WARWICK LECTURER IN EDUCATION

Applications are invited for a tenured Lectureship in Primary Education in the Department of Education. The University is involved in a major expansion of the teaching of education at initial training, in-service training and Masters degree levels, including a strong involvement in primary education. The successful applicant will be expected to engage in research and publication and should be able to demonstrate a strong and appropriate record of relevant existing achievement. Ability to contribute specifically to work in assessment and evaluation in primary schools, and/or primary school and classroom management would be particularly welcome, although candidates with other strengths will be considered. The major thrust of the Department is in the field of primary education but Centres for Education and Industry and Educational Development, Appraisal and Research have recently been established.

The post is tenable from 1st January 1988. Salary either on Grade A: £8735 - £13675 pa, or B: £14245 - £18210 pa, depending on age, qualifications and experience.

Further details and application forms are available for the Registrar, University of Warwick, Coventry CV4 7AL (0203 523627) quoting Ref No 53/2A/86/J. Closing date 21st August 1987.

AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES EMPLOYER

University of Exeter DEPARTMENT OF LAW TEMPORARY LECTURESHIP IN LAW

Applications are invited for the above post, tenable for three years from 1st September 1987 or as soon as possible thereafter. Candidates with any field of interest are encouraged to apply but preference may be given to those whose interests lie in the Company Law/Commercial Law field.

Salary will be within the range £8,735 to £11,015 p.a., with placement according to age and experience. Further particulars from the Personnel Office, University of Exeter, Exeter, EX4 4QJ, to whom applications (6 copies; candidates resident overseas 1 copy) giving the names of 3 referees, should be sent by 14 August, 1987, quoting ref. no. 3527.

CHARING CROSS AND WESTMINSTER MEDICAL SCHOOL (University of London)

PSYCHIATRY OF MENTAL HANDICAP Applications are invited for the post of Senior Lecturer to be based initially at Charing Cross Hospital.

Duties will involve the provision of consultant medical care to the Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea, the teaching of medical students, conducting research and participation in the administration of the Mental Handicap Unit within the Department of Psychiatry. It is intended that the person appointed will take up his or her duties as soon as convenient.

Further details obtainable from Professor B.J. Sacks, Unit of Mental Handicap, Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School, 24 St. Dunstan's Road, London, W6 8RP, (Telephone 01-748 2040, ext. 3010 or 3009).

Applications with full curriculum vitae together with the names and addresses of three referees to The Secretary, Charing Cross and Westminster Medical School, The Reynolds Building, St. Dunstan's Road, London, W6 8RP, to be submitted within three weeks of the appearance of this advertisement. (Quote Ref: 87/38)

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS SCHOOL OF COMPUTER STUDIES THREE NEW CHAIRS

Applications are invited for three new Chairs in Computer Studies. The School of Computer Studies comprises the following Divisions:

- 1) Division of Computer Science
 - 2) Division of Operational Research and Information Systems
 - 3) Division of Artificial Intelligence
- It is intended to fill one Chair in each Division. Appointments will be made from dates to be arranged with the successful candidates and salaries will be within the professional range. Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, The University, Leeds, LS2 9JT, quoting reference 48/83. Applications (two copies) giving details of age, qualifications and experience, and specifying the Division or Divisions of particular interest, and naming three referees should reach the Registrar not later than 30 October 1987. Applicants from overseas may apply in the first instance by cable, telex (656473 Leeds G) or facsimile (0532-420080), naming three referees, preferably in the United Kingdom.

GONVILLE AND CAIUS COLLEGE, CAMBRIDGE Research Fellowships

The Council intend to elect to one or more Research Fellowships to commence on 1st October 1988. The Fellowships are open to graduates of or research students in a University of The British Isles who will normally have been born after 1st September 1959.

Full particulars may be obtained from: The Master's Secretary, Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge CB2 1TA

Applications for the Fellowships must be received in full by 22nd September 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE DEPARTMENT OF FINE ART 1ST YEAR FOUNDATION COURSE STUDIO DEMONSTRATOR IN SCULPTURE

Applications are invited from men and women for the above temporary post in the Department of Fine Art, which is tenable from 1st October 1987 or as soon as possible thereafter, for a period of three years.

Salary will be at an appropriate point on the Grade B (1st) scale (£18,115 to £21,015) per annum, according to qualifications and experience. Further particulars may be obtained from the Senior Assistant Registrar (Establishment), The University, a Kensington Tower, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 7RU, to whom applications (three copies), together with the names and addresses of three referees, should be lodged not later than 21.8.87.

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON BARTLETT SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE AND PLANNING

Administrative Secretary

Applications are invited for the post of ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY of the School. The person appointed will be a member of the administrative staff of University College London, and will be responsible to the College Secretary through the Head of the School for administering the policies of the School. Duties will include financial administration (including research grants), liaison with the central administration of College, servicing of Committees and implementation of committee decisions. Graduates with previous experience in university administration preferred. The appointment will be within university administration grades 1/2, currently £9578 to £12,618 (incl.), rising to £10,068 to £17,113 from 1 March 1988 according to age, qualifications and experience.

Further particulars available from the Senior Assistant Secretary (Personnel), University College London, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT (telephone 01 387 7050 ext. 3004), to whom applications should be made with curriculum vitae and the names of two referees, no later than Friday, August 14 1987.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS Director of the Nuffield Institute for Health Services Studies

Applications are invited for the post of Director of the Nuffield Institute for Health Services Studies. The appointment of the successful applicant will be at Administrative Grade 5 level and may include the conferment of the title of Professor on a personal chair. The Director will be supported by two Heads of Divisions - the NHS Division and the International Division - who will be responsible to the Director for the work in these two areas. The Director will be required to provide leadership to the Institute as a whole, to expand and develop the Institute's work, both with the NHS and overseas, and to strengthen links with other University departments.

Further particulars may be obtained from the Registrar, The University, Leeds LS2 9JT, quoting reference 98/2. Applications (two copies) giving details of age, qualifications and experience and naming three referees should reach the Registrar not later than 16 October 1987. Applicants from overseas may apply in the first instance by cable, telex (656473 Leeds G) or facsimile (0532-420080), naming three referees, preferably in the United Kingdom.

THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS DEPARTMENT OF CHINESE STUDIES TWO POSTS OF LECTURER

1. LECTURER (MODERN CHINESE STUDIES WITH JAPANESE OR HONGKONG OR KOREAN) Candidates should be qualified to teach in the department's modern Chinese studies programme and in the other language, and to carry out and supervise research. Salary on the scale for Lecturer Grade A (£8,735 - £13,675) according to qualifications and relevant experience. (Ref no 12/10)
2. LECTURER (MODERN AND CHINESE ECONOMIC STUDIES) Candidates should be qualified to teach in the department's modern Chinese studies programme, including courses on the Chinese economy at both the undergraduate and postgraduate levels, and to carry out and supervise research on the Chinese economy. Salary on the scale for Lecturers Grade A (£8,735 - £13,675) or Grade B (£14,245 - £18,210) according to qualifications and relevant experience. (Ref no 12/11)

Both posts are available from 1 January 1988. Informal enquiries may be made to the Head of Department (Tel (0532) 431751 ext 6448). Application forms and further particulars of these two posts may be obtained from The Registrar, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT quoting reference nos. post 1, 12/10 and post 2, 12/11. Closing date for both posts is 30 September 1987.

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL Department of Child Health Chair of Paediatric Surgery

Applications are invited for the Chair of Paediatric Surgery which has become vacant following the retirement of Professor J. Lister. The post of Professor of Paediatric Surgery is tenable in the Department of Child Health and is based at the Royal Liverpool Children's Hospital Alder Hey and Myrtle Street. Candidates should have a wide experience of neonatal paediatric surgery and have a record of commitment to research in the discipline or cognate areas. The successful candidate will receive an Honorary Consultant contract for six sessions from the Liverpool Health Authority.

The salary will be within the range appropriate for clinical professional salaries (currently up to £32,440 per annum) and initially will depend on the qualifications and experience of the successful candidate.

Interested parties are invited to contact Professor F. Harris, Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, Tel: 051 739 0141, ext. 2743.

Applications, together with the names of three referees, should be received not later than 30th September by: The Registrar, The University, P.O. Box 147, Liverpool L69 3BX.

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UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD IN ASSOCIATION WITH SOMERVILLE OR WOLSON COLLEGE Applications are invited for the above post, tenable from 1 January 1988 or as soon as possible thereafter, according to age on the scale £9,305 - £19,440.

The lectureship is available as a result of the University Grants Committee's Asian and African Languages initiative (the Parker scheme). It is intended that this appointment will be held with a fellowship at a college. The University has decided that priority in this case should be given to Somerville College, which, under its statutes may admit women fellows on conditionally, if a woman is appointed she may be offered a fellowship by Somerville. If a man is appointed he may be offered a fellowship by Wolfson College. Separate application need not be made for the college appointment.

Further particulars may be obtained from Miss J.M. Noon, Oriental Institute, Pusey Lane, Oxford OX1 2LE to whom 3 copies of formal application (one only from overseas candidates), naming three referees, should be sent not later than 4 September 1987.

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An aptitude to analyse problems and an ability to develop computer systems which are appropriate is necessary. Application forms may be obtained (on receipt of a fee of £2.00) from the County Education Officer, Harrogate House, Harrogate, Halifax HX1 1UN, to whom completed forms should be returned quoting post reference number by 14th August, 1987.

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4 Whether, on such an appeal, if the tribunal found that the evidence adduced proved that the proprietor was not a fit person to be concerned in carrying on a residential care home but failed to prove any

home, but failed to prove any serious risk to life, health or well-being of the residents in the home, the tribunal should confirm the order of the justice or direct that it should not have effect.

His Lordship summarized his answers as follows:

The burden of proof was on

The answer to both parts of the third question was "yes" subject to the tribunal's discretion.

Solicitors: Cooper, Carter & Odhams, Hailsham; Sharpe Pritchard & Co, for Mr G. C. Child, Lewes.

ATHLETICS

Training regimes to upset the purists and garner results

By Pat Butcher, Athletics Correspondent

Playing a half-dozen rounds of golf, putting your feet up in front of the television and doing crossword puzzles in the sauna do not figure highly in training manuals on how to win world titles. But if Steve Cram, Kirsty Wade and Jack Buckner win in Rome, and foreign coaches get hold of this information, they will be even more confused as to how the British plan their athletics success.

Of course, there is a lot more to it than that. But Cram reckons that his time on the golf course, away from competition for a week, helped

him back to winning form, albeit slower than many people might have liked at this stage of the season, when he was the favourite in the 1,000 metres in the Pearl Assurance Invitational at Gateshead yesterday.

And Mrs Wade's "Three days taking it easy" literally transformed her from an also-ran in the 800 metres in Rome last Wednesday, to the fastest woman in the world this year over 1,500 metres, when she ran away from Yvonne Murray in the last 100 metres to record 4min 00.73sec.

Both she and Cram are

already selected for the world championships in Rome next month, as is Jack Buckner, who did not win yesterday in his first race after five weeks of injury. But Buckner, the European 1,000 metres champion, is already making provision for Rome's heat and humidity, if not for that which said Aoutia is likely to apply.

Buckner is preparing to spend some hours in an "environmental chamber" at his Alma Mater, Loughborough College, simulating Rome's atmospheric conditions. Back in 1960, when Don Thompson won his Olympic walking title in the Eternal City, he trained on the spot in a steam-filled bathroom. Such is technical progress.

Cram says he is now unlikely to pursue an 800 metres place in Rome, but a good run in the AAA championships next weekend could change his mind.

Allan Wells staged one of the comebacks which he seems to reserve for Gateshead. Linford Christie won the British Rail Sprinter Trophy in 10.55sec, and Wells was only 0.03sec slower in winning the open 100 later. He has had a groin injury, and although he has world championship qualifying time from last year, he knows that that is not good enough to even get him through the first round in Rome.

GATESHEAD RESULTS

100m (British Rail Sprinter Trophy): 1. L. Christie (Leeds), 10.55; 2. A. Wells (Leeds), 10.58; 3. J. Buckner (Leeds), 10.60; 4. J. Cram (Leeds), 10.65; 5. J. Smith (Leeds), 10.70; 6. J. Jones (Leeds), 10.75; 7. J. Brown (Leeds), 10.80; 8. J. White (Leeds), 10.85; 9. J. Black (Leeds), 10.90; 10. J. Grey (Leeds), 10.95; 11. J. Green (Leeds), 11.00; 12. J. Gold (Leeds), 11.05; 13. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.10; 14. J. Bronze (Leeds), 11.15; 15. J. Iron (Leeds), 11.20; 16. J. Lead (Leeds), 11.25; 17. J. Tin (Leeds), 11.30; 18. J. Copper (Leeds), 11.35; 19. J. Nickel (Leeds), 11.40; 20. J. Zinc (Leeds), 11.45; 21. J. Cadmium (Leeds), 11.50; 22. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.55; 23. J. Gold (Leeds), 11.60; 24. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.65; 25. J. Gold (Leeds), 11.70; 26. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.75; 27. J. Gold (Leeds), 11.80; 28. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.85; 29. J. Gold (Leeds), 11.90; 30. J. Silver (Leeds), 11.95; 31. J. Gold (Leeds), 12.00; 32. J. Silver (Leeds), 12.05; 33. J. Gold (Leeds), 12.10; 34. J. 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